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Jute Bought By India Rots In Barges

CONTRACT FLOUTED BY PAKISTAN

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE Pakistan Government is reported to have held up nearly five lakhs of bales of raw jute worth crores of rupees, already loaded on barges and "flats" bound for India, according to reports received here, says a "P.T.I." message.

The contract to buy this jute, it was stated, was entered into before the devaluation and money had also been paid for it.

Last week representatives of the Indian Jute Mills Association visited Dacca and discussed the matter with the Pakistan Jute Board. It was represented to the Board that since cash for the jute was paid before Pakistan's "no-devaluation" decision, the contract should be executed. It was further pointed out to the Pakistan Government that if the loaded jute was not immediately permitted to be moved, the stocks would deteriorate and get damaged.

The Pakistan Jute Board, it is reported, was not prepared to release the stocks, whatever the legal or moral position might be, on the ground that their Government would not permit any movement of jute till the devaluation controversy was settled. The steamship companies, most of them British-owned, were directed to unload the barges, but they declined because they had already paid for the carriage and there was no godown to dump them.

INDO-ASSAM RAIL LINK

Open For Goods Traffic Now

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.).

ASSAM will be connected with the rest of the Indian Union, through Indian territory, when the newly constructed 142-1/2 mile-long metre gauge railway line will be opened to goods traffic, tomorrow. The entire portion of the new line will be opened to passenger train service from January 26, 1950, the historic day of India's proclamation of Republic.

The new line passes through the Purnea district of Bihar Province for a length of 40 miles, Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri districts of West Bengal for 76 miles, Cooch-Behar State for five miles and the Goalpara distirct of Assam Province for 22 miles.

Though the taget date was fixed in April 1950, it was completed ahead with an estimated cost of Rs. 8,89,46,204. Twenty crores cubic feet of earth had to be removed and thirty lakhs cubic feet of cement concrete had to be poured for the construction work.

China's Charges For Little Assembly

U. N. DECISION

FLUSHING MEADOW, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter: The United Nations today decided to refer Nationalist China's charges against the Soviet Union to the Interim Committee or "Little Assembly."

The "Little Assembly" is boycotted by Russia.

The General Assembly by a large majority also called on all members to follow a "hands off" policy in China and to respect the right of the Chinese people to choose their own from of Government.

Twenty-five delegates voted in favour of sending the Chinese complaint to the "Little Assembly" four opposed it and sixteen abstained.

Voting on the resolution calling on nations to respect the political independence of China was 45 in favour five against with no abstentions.

The resolution opposed only by the Soviet Union and the East European countries who refused to participate during the United Nations debate on China's accusations also called upon states to refrain from seeking "spheres of influence" in China to refrain from creating foreign-controlled regimes within Chinese territory and not to seek special privileges in China.

Representatives of the Western Allied powers will meet in Paris early next year to consider ways to end the state of war with the West German Federal Republic.

BAD NEIGHBOUR POLICY

SIMLA, Dec. 8. (PTI): Pakistanis raided Indian territory across the East-West Punjab border about 50 times during the eleven months ending November 1949, it was learnt here today.

The raids resulted in the deaths of sixteen Indian nationals, including four police, and the lifting of 700 heads of cattle. Twelve Indian nationals were also abducted.

Friendship Association

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8. (PTI): The executive committee of the India-Pakistan Friendship Association met here today and discussed the question of facilities for pilgrims from India and Pakistan to visit religious shrines in either Dominion. Ensuring freedom of movement to pilgrims for religious purposes was a necessary step towards Indo-Pakistan friendship, said the committee.

MUCH MORE JUTE VERY SOON

An Official's Survey

CUTTACK, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): Sardar Datar Singh, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, is now on a tour of the jute-growing Provinces of India, prior to the conference to be held in Calcutta, from December 14, to finalise the Ministry's plans to make India self-sufficient in jute by 1951-52. He arrived here this morning after visiting U.P. and Bihar. He will leave for Calcutta on December 14.

Sardar Datar Singh gave an overall picture of the Ministry's plans to increase jute-growing in India. He said that there were now four main jute-producing Provinces, namely, West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa and Assam. New areas had been added with the extension of jute cultivation in Tripura and Cooch-Behar and United State of Travancore and Cochin and the United Provinces.

The jute cultivation in Travancore having proved successful, the acreage of 400 acres this year is proposed to be extended to 24,000 acres next year.

Orissa had more than doubled its jute production last year from 23,000 acres to 51,000 acres. At today's conference it was decided this would be further increased to one lakh acres next year.

Sardar Datar Singh emphasised that in all these plans, care was being taken to see that the food cultivation was not being disturbed.

WILL PAKISTAN BE INCLUDED IN INDIA?

British Writer's View

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, Dec. 8.

Ridley, well-known writer, in an article headed "India, Enigma of Future," in the Socialist "Leader" expresses the opinion that Pakistan's ultimate inclusion in an all-India federation in the not distant future seems certain.

He is not sure how really independent can India be in the present world of conflicting ideologies.

Ridley characterises the disappearance of fantastic feudal states as a veritable revolution even though marred by the fantastic compensatory sums of money paid to these royal "parasites" by their former subjects now incorporated into the Indian Republic.

Abolition of feudal autocracy represents, however, only a minor aspect of the great task of abolishing Indian feudal conditions, he adds. This depends on the abolition of agrarian poverty and the creation of adequate means of production. Only a revolution, he says, can complete social tasks posed by capitalist development in a backward country.

Calcutta Jail-Breakers Still At Large

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8 (PTI).—In spite of strenuous searches for the past two days during which they practically combed the city and suburbs, the police have not, so far, been able to trace the three prisoners who escaped from the Presidency Jail on Tuesday night.

These prisoners include, an undertrial, arrested in connection with the Dum Dum outrage of February. Another undertrial prisoner of the Dum Dum case was apprehended by the warders while attempting to escape by scaling the wall the same evening.

The Mysore Government has today issued instructions that "Jana Gana Mana" alone should be recognised as the national anthem pending final decision by the Indian Constituent Assembly.

All Over, Bar Shouting

LONDON, Dec. 8 (UPI).

China's civil war is nearly over, says a directive from Mao Tse-tung to the People's Liberation Army, thus foreshadowing release of three million of the most disciplined and devoted workers from the army for production.

The order issued by Mao Tse-tung declares: "People's Army of Liberation has just won nation-wide victory. Only a few left for pursuit and annihilation of enemy remnants. This will make our People's Liberation Army not only an army of national defence, but also an army of production to help people all over the country to conquer difficulties left behind by the long war, and speed up new democratic economic construction."

Pathans Yearn For Liberty

DEMAND FOR FREE PUKHTOONISTAN

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (U.P.I.): "We do not wish to be in the chains of slavery, and so long as one Pathan remains alive, we will strive for an independent Pukhtoonistan," said Fazel Ahmed Khan, President of the newly-formed Khyber National Assembly at its first meeting, according to a Kabul Radio broadcast.

"We have no other motive or objective," he added, "except to be and remain a free nation, and leserve to be treated as a distinct and independent nation. We cannot accept the domination of any outside power or government. According to the rights of humanity and the United Nations Charter, we possess the right to claim independence."

DEMONSTRATIONS IN HOOGHLY

Police Disperse Mob

HOOGHLY, Dec. 8 (UPI).—There was some trouble in Hooghly this afternoon in front of the District Magistrate's chamber on the first floor where about a hundred persons including men and women and hailing mostly from French Chandernagore made a demonstration. The police dispersed the mob with a mild lathi charge. Two women sustained injuries. One Police Inspector and two other demonstrators also received injuries in the scuffle. Five persons were arrested.

It is stated that the demonstrators came to the first floor in batches of 3 or 4 and when all had assembled in the verandah they shouted various anti-Government slogans.

They also tried to enter the Collector's chamber when Mr. S. Dutt Majmudar, District Magistrate came out and wanted to know their grievances. The District Magistrate also asked them to behave properly but without any effect.

The mob then tried to enter the chamber of the District Magistrate, but the District Magistrate, his orderly and others prevented their entry into the chamber and informed the police.

The police on arrival asked the mob to disperse, but the mob assumed a violent attitude and assaulted the police by throwing chairs that were lying on the verandah. At this stage the police made a mild lathi charge and the mob dispersed.

AKALI AGITATORS RELEASED

PATIALA, Dec. 8 (PTI): All Akali prisoners arrested for launching "morcha" in the Patiala and East Punjab States Union against the interim ministry have been released today.

A Government communique says: "The Akali Party of the Union some time ago decided to launch a morcha against the Union Ministry. They defied the law by taking out processions and holding demonstrations.

"A large number of jathas from the Union and East Punjab were taken out. Most of these persons were arrested tried and sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. On the resignation of the Ministry and the formation of an official caretaker Government the Akali Party decided to give up the morcha. Government is therefore issuing an immediate order for the release of all these prisoners and one Akali detenu.

"Government earnestly hopes that this gesture will be reciprocated by the Akali Party."

DAMODAR VALLEY SCHEME PROGRESS

Principal Surveys And Designs Complete

SLOW EXCAVATION AT BHAKRA SITE

NEW DELHI, December 8.

DETAILS of the progress made on the Damodar Valley and the Bhakra projects were given during the question hour in the Dominion Parliament today by the Hon'ble Shri N. V. Gagdil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, in a written reply.

Referring to the Damodar Project, he said: Principal surveys and initial designs have been completed. Dam construction work has already started at Tilaiya and will begin at Konar next month. Plant and equipment for the 200,000 k.w. steam power station at Bokaro and transmission lines have been ordered, all essential preliminary work on both is practically finished, and actual construction of the power house and the transmission grid will commence shortly. Arrangements for rehabilitation of the population in the Tilaiya reservoir area are well advanced, and land reclamation work is making rapid progress.

INITIAL SUCCESSES

The mechanical earth-moving unit set-up by the Corporation in Hazaribagh has been given the task of bringing under cultivation 75,000 acres of waste land, at the rate of 15,000 acres a year, and small irrigation projects have already proved successful there. Appreciable benefits from this may be expected at the end of the next monsoon, and the main irrigation scheme should begin to produce results from 1951. Thereafter, if the Corporation's programme of work is not upset for reasons beyond its control the increase in the production of foodgrains in West Bengal should be as follows:—

Year	Acres to be irrigated	Extra foodgrains (rice and rabi) in maunds
1952-53	120,000	11,15,100
1953-54	360,000	35,91,000
1954-55	540,000	54,00,000
1955-56	675,000	67,50,000
1956-57	810,000	81,00,000
1957-58	900,000	89,91,000

The Bhakra-Nangal projects comprise the construction of a dam 680 feet high, 578 miles of main canal and branches and 2,200 miles of distributaries. The canal head capacity would be 12,500 cusecs.

The scheme is designed to irrigate six and a half million acres of land and generate primary power of 400,000 k.w. at 100% l.f. and secondary power of 150,000 k.w. at 100% l.f.

The scheme can produce 1.13 million tons of foodgrains a year and 8 million bales of long staple cotton a year.

The up-to-date progress on the project is, that the contract designs for the raised height of the dam have recently been completed in the United States of America. Construction of road and railway communications from Rupar to the dam site are complete.

For the diversion of the river, two 500 feet diameter diversion tunnels of a total length of one mile are required. Pilot headings for these tunnels have been completed and the enlargement is in progress. The total rock excavation up to the end of September 1949 is 2,22,000 cubic yards.

COLONY

To house the staff a large colony is under construction at Nangal, 9 miles downstream of the dam site. Here, 19 officers' quarters, 88 senior staff quarters, 103 junior staff quarters, 180 lower grade staff quarters and 79 workmen and labour huts have been constructed. Work on the construction of the hospital, school and other residential buildings is in progress.

At Bhakra, 9 officers, shelter huts, 42 overseer quarters, 4 blocks of lower grade staff quarters and 60 rooms for the workmen have been constructed. For the workshops 8 hangers have been installed and considerable quantity of machinery procured.

Four kilns for the burning of bricks are under operation at Nangal.

The Nangal Pick Up Dam is situated 8 miles downstream of the dam, comprises 28 bays of 30 feet span each out of which 11 have been completed. The total quantity of concrete laid up to end of September 1949, is 40 lakhs cft. against 70 lakhs estimated.

The Nangal hydel channel is 38 miles long. Its excavation is in full swing and 23 crores cft. of earthwork against the estimated quantity of 69 crores cft. have been executed.

The contract for the supply of 4 units of turbines for the power houses situated on the Nangal canal has been laid out and the excavation of the foundations of power house No. 1 is in progress.

The Nangal canal passes through a sub-mountaineous tract and has 59

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Trains Are More Punctual Now

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8.

The Railways Minister said today that there has been a considerable improvement in the punctual running of trains. According to a statement placed in Parliament, on the broad guage, punctuality percentage on the E.P. Railway is 92.9 for September 1949, with E.I. and G.I.P. Railways following with 85.8 and 82.6. On the metre guage the Assam Railway recorded a punctuality percentage of 90 with B.B. & C.I. following with 83.5 for September 1949.

Referring to the number of collisions and accidents on railways, the Minister said, "The number of serious accidents to passenger and mixed trains involving loss of life or serious injury is six during the current financial year up to date. During the corresponding period of 1948-49, 13 serious accidents had occurred.

"Of the six accidents this year, four were due to malicious tampering with the track by some person or persons unknown and one to faulty working on the part of station staff. In the sixth case, the cause could not be determined with certainty.

"The approximate cost of damage to engine, rolling stock and permanent way, resulting from these accidents, amounted to Rs. 2,55,000. Loss of life was fifteen."

One hundred and twenty seven new trains—86 on the broad gauge and 41 on metre gauge—have been introduced on Indian Government Railways during the current financial year. It was also disclosed that 88 trains had been extended during the same period, of which 66 were on broad guage and 22 on metre guage.

CONGRESS CHIEFS TO MEET

Pattabhi Silent On Kannadigas

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.).

THE Congress Working Committee is expected to meet before Christmas it was learned today.

The Congress President Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya said he had no official reports or communication as yet from the Karnatak Provincial Congress Committee regarding the reported resignations by a number of Karnatak Congressmen. He declined to comment on the situation.

He added that as soon as a report was received from the K.P.C.C., the Central Parliamentary Board might have to meet to consider the situation. Mr. Nijalinagappa, President of the K.P.C.C., is expected in Delhi by Dec. 12. Except for his reported resignation, none of the Karnataka members of the Dominion Parliament have resigned.

3 More Kannadigas Send In Resignations

HUBLI, Dec. 8 (PTI).—Three more Karnataka members of legislatures, Messrs. R. S. Hukkerikkar, M.L.A. (Bombay), G. S. Sujjan, M.L.A. (Bombay) and F. D. Ghodke, M.L.C. (Nominated, Bombay) have sent in their resignations to the K.P.C.C. office today. The total number of resignations so far received in the K.P.C.C. office here, comes to nineteen.

New Bridge Over Ganges

SITE SELECTED NEAR PATNA

PATNA, Dec. 8 (PTI): The site for the construction of the proposed rupees eight crore road bridge over the Ganga has been selected near Digha, about three miles west of Patna by the experts of the Government of Bihar. The length of the bridge, according to present calculations will be roughly over a mile and its construction would take about three years.

Mr. Abdul Qaiyum Ansari, Minister of Public Works, Bihar, and a batch of local pressmen were shown round the site this morning by engineers of the Ganga bridge investigation division.

The aerial survey of the areas concerned has been completed and the rest of the investigation work is also nearing completion.

Chinese Cabinet Flees To Formosa

REDS KNOCKING AT CHENGTU

HONG KONG, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter)

THE Chinese Nationalist Cabinet has decided to abandon the mainland and flee to Formosa, Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek's island stronghold it was reported here today.

A formal decision to make Taipeh, in Formasa their fifth capital in a year was taken by the Nationalists at Chengtu (their fourth) yesterday, the report added.

Date of the move was not given but travellers from Chengtu now closely threatened by the Communists said Chiang flew out of Chengtu early today for Formosa with the Premier, General Yen Hsi-shan.

Other Cabinet Ministers were reported to have left Chengtu yesterday as the Communist vanguard drove within 20 miles of the city.

U. K.'S RECOGNITION OF RED CHINA

Decision Next Week

LONDON, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter): Diplomatic observers expect the British Cabinet to decide next week on the timing of its recognition of the Communist Chinese Government in Peking. **The exact timing depends on co-ordination with other Commonwealth powers.**

TOKYO: The first direct shipment of steel to Communist China is to go to North China ports during the next two weeks.

Officials of the Yawata Iron Works in Kyushu said today that 200 tons of concrete bars will leave Yawata on December 15 for Tsingtao and 500 tons of wire materials for Tientsin on December 20.

CRIPPS STUMPED BY PETROL PROBLEM

LONDON, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter): Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, told a press conference today that austerity rationing of petrol for the whole sterling area was inescapable.

Speaking of the sterling-dollar balance of payments, Sir Stafford said: "Even what is called sterling oil has in it a considerable element of dollar cost so that every extra gallon of petrol used cost the sterling area dollars we can't afford unless we go without more essential foodstuffs or raw material.

"There is no way known to me or the British Treasury of getting round this."

WRONGFUL DETENTION OF PERSONS

Poona Police Officers To Be Prosecuted

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The attention of the Government of Bombay was drawn to the reports published in a section of the press alleging that in the course of the investigation of a case of dacoity at Dhangwadi near Poona, the Police illegally detained and ill-treated certain persons including three women, says a press note.

When these allegations came to the notice of the District Magistrate, Poona, he immediately ordered the Additional District Magistrate, Poona, to hold an enquiry into them. The additional District Magistrate accordingly held an enquiry and submitted his report to Government through the District Magistrate, Poona. After considering the report, the Government is of the opinion that there is a 'prima facie' case for prosecuting the following police officers and policemen for offences of causing hurt and wrongful confinement:

Mr. N. D. Bhojwaney, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Mr. A. D. Salvi, Sub-Divisional Police Inspector, Mr. A. K. Gaikwad, Police Sub-Inspector, and Head Constables Messrs. B. S. Alate, V. R. Barge and W. R. Gulavne.

Orders are being issued for their suspension and prosecution before a special Magistrate.

MINIMUM WAGES FOR FARMHANDS

A National Survey

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): The Central Government have decided to conduct an inquiry into the cost of cultivation of crops in the country with a view to fixing minimum wages for agricultural workers under the Minimum Wages Act of 1948.

This step will, it is understood, entail an expenditure of four lakhs of rupees.

The inquiry will be part of the agricultural labour inquiry which the Labour Ministry is conducting in various villages all over the country for fixing wages for agricultural workers by March, 1951. About a thousand villages will be surveyed. The inquiry is already proceeding in about 500 villages.

The inquiry purports to elicit information relating to the agricultural workers' family budget; earnings, indebtedness, cost of living, housing, welfare, family, sources of income, size of holdings and other details.

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SHOLAPUR MILL TO RESTART WORK

Government To Enact New Legislation

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Mills will start functioning again, in a few weeks time. This was announced to the journalists of Bombay, by Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Minister for Labour, Government of Bombay, this morning.

Mr. Nanda made it clear that only a part of the Mill would start functioning, and all the 13,000 workers—half of Sholapur' labour strength—cannot be taken back. Those who were not absorbed, would however be helped by the Government to seek alternate employment, and in some cases, would be trained for other vocations.

The Minister stated that under the Companies' Act and the legal position contingent upon it, the Government of Bombay could only persuade agents, directors and authorities of textile mills, to restart, but the Government could not over ride them. Hence, in the case of this particular Mill, the Government of Bombay and the Government of India, had consultations and come to the decision that there must be enacted the legislation necessary to restart the Mill. The Government of India, had now decided to enact such a legislation and arm the Provincial Gomernment with necessary powers.

The Minister, who said that he was not in a position to specify the exact date, however, said, "It should not be a few months but a few weeks".

Questioned if the mismanagement of the Mill by the Managing Agents, had anything to do with this decision, Mr. Nanda said, "Unemployment and fall in production", were the paramount considerations.

Q:— What will happen to the present Managing Agents?

A:— That is a matter of detail Government will consider which is the best machinery to be devised for the smooth functioning of the Mill.

The Minister assigned two reasons for the Mill functioning partially and not fully. They were that the Mill was overstaffed and part of the Machinery was outdated and in a bad condition.

MILLS CLOSED

Regarding other textile mills in the Province, which are either partially or wholly closed, Mr. Nanda said that 15 mills were wholly closed, throwing out of employment 26,902 men and 20 mills were partially closed creating unemployment for 10,729 persons.

Mr. Nanda said that some among the closed mills had absolutely hopeless types of machinery which normally would been on the scrap heap a number of years ago, but for the intervention of the war. These mills could not compete with the production of more modern mills and controlled prices. Their running was bound to be uneconomic. Now they had closed down as they could not run economically. He said that such mills were about 5 to 6 To keep such mills alive, prices would have to be raised, he added.

Due to the war, many mills had increased their shifts, and the demandment by these mills in the old days was not a stable demand When the extra-ordinary circumstances which made them increase the shifts, disappeared, they had to come down to the normal.

Besides these, 4 to 5 others among the mills, were purely spinning mills whose activity was linked up with the handloom industry, which was today passing through depression.

An important additional factor was the cut in the availability of cotton after partition. This factor, he feared, might grow. Since, the Grow More Food campaign was on, India could not divert its acreage to more and more cotton crops. The second shift of the India United Mills and the New Chhotalal Mills at Kadi, had been closed down for want of enough cotton.

Since some mills had closed down due to gluts of cloth, Government had extended certain concesions to the mills affected by gluts with regard to disposal They could sell freely and the controls affecting other mills did not apply to them

The Minister said that arrangements had been made to restart the Kalyan Mills of Ahmedabad by January next

MR. KHANDUBHAI DESAI

Resignation From Bombay Assembly

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD Dec. 8.

It is reliably learnt that Mr. Khandubhai Desai, the President of the Indian National Trade Union Congress, and a well-known labour leader of Ahmedabad, has tendered his resignation from the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

It is further learnt that the resignation has been accepted.

Mr. Desai was elected to the Bombay Assembly from the Ahmedabad labour constituency. Mr. Desai is also a member of the Indian Constituent Assembly and following the decision of the party against dual membership, he has resigned from the Bombay Legislature.

PROTECTIVE HELP TO AUTOMOBILES

Bill For Indian Parliament

BOMBAY, Thursday (UPI): The Government of India will bring forward legislation in the Autumn session of Parliament granting "protective help" to the automobile industry United Press of India learns here today.

The Government it is further understood, propose to give a protective margin of Rs. 600 per each car of Indian origin and a considerably higher margin in the case of trucks to enable the indigenous manufacturers to fare better than hitherto. The necessary "preferential margin" for goods of British origin will however, be maintained.

In order to give necessary protection to the indigenous automobile industry against the competition of cars of foreign origin, writes the U.P.I. City Editor, component parts are being divided into three categories, namely, those already made in India those likely to be made in India within next two years and those not likely to be made in the country during this period.

It is proposed to adjust the import duties on these components except in the case of first category, where govt. hold the view that the existing level of revenue duties already offers a sufficient margin of help and therefore should not be disturbed.

KANNADIGAS THREATEN PARALLEL GOVERNMENT

Prepared For Consequences

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The stir that was created by the resignations of the Karnatak Bloc in the Bombay Legislatures and by the resignation of Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture and Forests, Government of Bombay, has abated slightly today and political circles in the City were wondering "what next"?

Reports from Delhi received in the City today revealed that the High Command considered the present move of the Kannadigas as ill-timed. The inference is, therefore, drawn that bar causing the effect of a political stunt, the threat held out by the Bloc will fizzle out and that the High Command will prevail upon the responsible section of Karnatakis to shelve the matter for some time.

A militant section of Karnatak opinion, however, belies this hope.

A spokesman of the camp which is for a separate Karnatak Province at any cost, who is now in Bombay, told a representative of this paper, how serious this particular section was in the attainment of its dessideratum.

He said that about a month ago a meeting of a momentous nature was held at Hubli This citizens meeting he disclosed was attended by all representative sections of Kannadiga opinion He further disclosed that it was presided over by an important Karnatak leader, the President of the Dharwar Municipal Borough Mr. B. S. Patil.

Mr. M. S. Kesaree, a leading Dharwar Advocate, who met our representative stated how determined the Kannadigas were in the attainment of their cherished goal of a separate Karnatak Province

Mr Kesaree revealed that at that mammoth meeting at which important members of the Provincial Legislature were present, there was a unanimous decision that if the Congress High Command and the Government of India procrastinated on the issue or refused to form the Karnatak Province, within a reasonable time, they would force the issue by setting up a parallel Government—a popularly elected Governor and six Collectors for the six districts of Karnatak

"Of course we know that we will be arrested before we go very far, but, we are prepared for it", added Mr. Kesaree.

Agricultural Statistics Society

POONA, Poona, Dec. 7, (PTI): The third annual session of the Indian Society of Agricultural Statistics will be held in Poona on December 30, 31 and January 1. Dr Rajendra Prasad, President of the Society will deliver the presidential address.

The programme of the session includes reading of technical papers and symposia on crops and weather and crop and cattle insurance in which specialists in the subjects will participate. There will also be popular lectures by Sir C. V. Raman and Prof. D. D. Kosambi of the Tata Fundamental Research Institute.

Foreign Styles Still

PATTABHI GRIEVED

BHAGALPUR, (Bihar), Dec. 7 (PTI).

Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, the Congress President, yesterday, advised students to give up "separatism" which, he said, had become rampant in modern life.

Addressing a gathering at the T.N.J. College, the Congress President chastised the students for having organised two students meetings for the day.

Now that the country had gained independence, all patriots must form into one brotherhood, he said. There should be no contradiction of emotion. The days of joining processions of strikers, and boycott of educational institutions were gone. Colleges and schools had become parental institutions to make young men fit for citizenship.

The Congress President told the other meeting of students, on the grounds of the Marwari College, that "Inquilab Zindabad" had no meaning after independence.

He deplored that even after the attainment of swaraj he found students wearing foreign clothes and having foreign styles. If no change had yet come on youngmen, what was the necessity of the "Quit India" movement, he asked.

MARATHI EDITOR FOR BRITAIN

POONA, Dec. 7 (P.T.I.): The Standing Committee of the Marathi Journalists' Conference has selected Mr. P. V. Gadgil, Editor, "Lokmanya" and President of the Conference, to represent the Marathi press on the proposed tour of the Indian journalists to United Kingdom organised by the British Information Ministry. The party of Indian journalists is to leave in January next.

Rajkot D.P.s On Fast For Rehabilitation

RAJKOT, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): Eleven displaced persons from Kutiyana have been on fast since Tuesday demanding rehabilitation.

The Saurashtra Government recently stopped the issue of free rations to displaced persons residing in relief camps.

The displaced persons also demanded that they should be given the house of Muslims who had left for Pakistan and also their business.

COMMUNAL NAMES TO BE REMOVED

Orissa Government Decision

CUTTACK, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): The Government of Orissa has decided that the word "Hindu" should be removed forthwith from the name of the 'Hindu Women's Training Institute" at Cuttack and that the institute be thrown open to pupils from other communities having the necessary qualifications.

Steps are also being taken to change the names of other educational institutions in the province which give a communal colour.

COAL CESS SHOULD NOT BE REDUCED

Welfare Committee Opposes Move

NAGPUR, Dec. 8 (PTI).—The Coal-Mines Labour Welfare Fund Advisory Committee meeting here today under the chairmanship of Mr. S. Lall, Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, declared its opposition to any proposal to reduce the cess of six annas levied on each ton of coal despatched by rail from the collieries.

Any such reduction, the Committee said, would seriously undermine the work of the Welfare Fund resulting in waste of expenditure and the halting of its various welfare schemes.

The Committee also expressed its inability to make any cut in its expenditure programme in pursuance of the general economy drive.

HOUSING PROGRAMME

The Committee after some discussion, referred to its Housing Board for scrutiny the tentative construction programme for 1950/51 estimated to cost Rs. 119 lakhs. This programme includes construction of two central hospitals, one at Dhanbad and the other at Raniganj, tuberculosis clinics and anti-malaria sub-stations in Bengal and Bihar coalfields, wells, roads and drainage for the Bhuli township.

The Committee agreed to the payment of a grant for the social education scheme which is now working in the C.P. coalfield areas, the exact amount being fixed at the budget session of the Committee next month.

It was also decided to approach the C.P. Government for undertaking early the construction of Datia township and regional hospital and the investigation of water-supply position there.

The Committee asked the Coal-mines Labour Welfare Commissioner, Dhanbad, to take up with colliery-owners the early completion of pit-head baths for miners. It also asked him to prepare a separate budget for each coalfield area under the fund so that the welfare schemes could be taken up according to the resources and requirements of each area.

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at Dhanbad towards the end of January, 1950.

OFFENCES DETECTED IN EAST PUNJAB

SIMLA, Dec. 8 (U.P.I.): Fifty cases involving violation of the various control measures were detected and 84 persons arrested in East Punjab during the fortnight ending with November 30 Foodgrains worth Rs. 15,811 were seized and a fine of Rs. 2,636 realised during the same period.

Hyderabad Reds Shoot Landlord

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 8 (U.P.I.): Mr Pampala Kistiah, a landlord, was shot dead by armed men suspected to be Communists at his residence in Bhongir taluka Nalgonda District, last night according to information received here.

Six murders were reported in Nalgonda District, during the fortnight ended November 30, 1949, bringing the total number of deaths caused by Communists since January to 200.

Cloth Export From E. Punjab Allowed

SIMLA, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): The East Punjab Government have decided to allow the export of mill-made cloth from the province to other places in the Indian Dominion, it was officially announced here today. It is, however, stipulated that wholesalers in East Punjab can sell their stocks to outside wholesalers only.

EXEMPT RELIGIOUS MENDICANTS FROM BEGGARS' ACT

Congress Resolution Opposed By Socialists

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A CONGRESS-SPONSORED resolution seeking the exemption of religious mendicants from the operation of the Bombay Beggars' Act gave rise to a lively debate in the Bombay Municipal Corporation today.

The resolution which was strongly criticised by the Socialists called upon the Mayor to take up the matter with the Government so as to bring about the necessary amendment in the Act. Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor, presided.

Moving the resolution Mr. Nathalal Parikh complained that the definition of "begging" as given in the Act was so wide as to include not only those beggars who were idlers and who were a nuisance to society but also those Sadhus, Saints and Sanyasis whose great spiritual powers had enhanced the reputation of India abroad He felt that this was a serious discrepancy in the Act and should be removed.

Mr. Parikh contended that religious mendicants were mostly those who had renounced their worldly possessions and had taken a vow to dedicate themselves to the spiritual uplift of hemselves and the world. This was indeed a laudable object and they could not therefore be treated as ordinary beggars.

Under the Act, continued Mr. Parikh, the religious mendicants could be arrested only if the residents of a building complained to the police So far no such complaint was recorded, and it was therefore desirable that "this legal sword" hanging over the heads of this class of mendicants should be removed.

Mr. Parikh further disclosed that a recent order of the Home Department, Bombay, required these religious mendicants to have card identities, obtained from their community organisations. This had created a great furore, particularly among the Jains. He felt that this new order was like adding insult to injury.

Mr. Dinker Desai moved an amendment that the resolution be referred to the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee for detailed consideration. Opposing the resolution he said that Fakirs, Sadhus and Sanyasis were a nuisance to society They claimed to be Brahmacharis, which in reality they were not. They were complete parasites on society and deserved no exemption from the operation of the Act. He wondered why the Government of India did not pack off these Sadhus and Sanyasis to the frontiers where they may be utilized for fighting against the Pakistani invaders.

Mr. K. K. Shah supported the resolution, while Mr. S. Velinker opposed it. Further discussion was postponed.

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Lowtide 08-40, 19-56.

Today's Engagements

MAHILA SEVA MANDAL, Annual prize distribution of Mandal's Industrial Schools for Women at Damodar Hall, Parel, 5-30 p.m. Sri S. K. Patil will preside

COMMERCE GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION, Mr. Jagmohandas Kapadia will speak on 'Company Law Reforms' at the Indian Merchants' Chamber Hall, 6-15 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study class on 'Greek Teachings on Soul and Spirit' at Jehangir Wadia Building, Fort 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Social gathering at Darbar Hall, Town Hall at 5-30 p.m.

CITIZENS' PARLIAMENT: Debate on 'Controls Encourage Blackmarketing' at Anjuman-i-Islam School Hall, Bori Bunder 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY BRANCH ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY: Lecture at Town Hall on 'Poems of India, America, France and Britain' at 6 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: Councillors of Ward No. 25-26 Parel-Naigaum will meet near Hindmata Cinema to go round the Wards at 8-30 a.m.

STUDENTS' PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Free S.S.C.E. coaching classes for those who are the members of the Group will start from Dec. 12.

DAVID A. MORSE FOR CITY

Mr. David A. Morse, Director-General of the ILO and Mrs. Morse, who are coming to India in connection with the Mysore Session of the ILO Governing Body, will visit Bombay, among various other industrial centres in India, from Dec. 10 to 14. The Director-General will meet Government officials dealing with labour questions and representatives of employers' and workers' organisations.

Mr. Morse was born in New York on May 31, 1907. After graduation he practised law but just after Pearl Harbour he joined the Army. During the 105th meeting of the ILO Governing Body at Sanfrancisco, in June 1948, he was named Director-General to succeed Edward Phelan.

INSOLVENCY PETITION DISMISSED

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tendolkar)

Messrs. Bansiram Narain-das ..... Petitioners
Versus
Messrs. Gajanand and Lal Co. ..... Debtors.

The petitioners claimed to be creditors for Rs. 5,000 under a hundi passed in their favour by the debtors on 27th June, 1949 which had remained unpaid. The petitioners contended that the debtors had committed an act of insolvency by having, on 5th September, 1949, given notice of suspension of payment of debts, and therefore prayed that the debtors be adjudged insolvent.

The debtors denied the alleged act of insolvency and contended that the petition must be clear and precise as to the time, place and particulars of the act of insolvency and could not be supplemented by allegations in the affidavit made in support of it.

Accepting this contention of the debtors and holding that the petition was not in the form required by law, his Lordship dismissed the petition.

Mr. Lulla instructed by Messrs. Samant and Co., appeared for the petitioners. Mr. H. D. Banaji instructed by Messrs. Manohar and Co., appeared for the debtors.

Co-operators' Day On December 11

BOMBAY, Thursday

The All Bombay Consumers' Co-operative Societies' Federation have chalked out a programme in connection with the 'Co-operators' Day' which will be observed by them on Sunday, December 11, 1949. The Hon'ble Shri Malojirao Naik-Nimbalkar will preside and the Mayor of Bombay Shri S. K. Patil, will perform the inaugural of the day at 3 p.m. at the Congress House.

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OFFER OF BRIBE NO LESS AN OFFENCE

Magistrate's Remarks While Convicting Three

BOMBAY, Thursday.

CONVICTING three out of four accused in a bribery case today, Mr. M. J. Gordhandas, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court in his summing-up said: "To offer a bribe is sometimes considered a lesser offence than to accept one. But it is the person who offers the bribe who is mainly responsible for the corruption of public officials.

"Just as there are thieves because there are persons who are willing to accept stolen property, public servants are corrupt becouse there are persons who, to achieve their own selfish ends, tempt these officials by offers of illegal gratification.

"It is a vicious circle," the Magistrate emphasised, "and every little curve that goes to make this circle is responsible for its rotation. In my opinion the person who offers a bribe is as much responsible for evil practices as the person who accep's illegal gratification.

These comments of the Presidency Magistrate arose out of a case wherein Chandiram Reghumal, Govindram Jhangaldas, Cheddiparsad Ramharak and Sunderdas Lalchand were charged with offering a bribe to Mr. S. B. Kazi, Controller of Accommodation and Deputy Secretary Health and Local Government Department, Government of Bombay. The accused were described as brokers.

OFFER OF BRIBE

On January 18 last, Raghumal, Jhangaldas and Cheddiparsad saw Mr. Kazi in his office and told him that they were interested in a flat at Gowalia Tank which had been requisitioned by Government. Accused 1 and 3 offered to pay a bribe for the allotment of the flat to the father of the fourth accused. Mr. Kazi tried to dissuadte them from making monetary offers to him but the accused persisted in trying to influence him in the exercise of his authority in their favour by financial rules.

Later that day Mr. Kazi contacted the Anti-Corruption Branch and a trap was laid for the accused. On January 21, the Controller of Accommodation arranged to meet the accused at his residence. Prior to the arrival of the accused Mr. Kazi was searched in the presence of S. I. Gautam and Superintendent Bashiruddin of the A. C. B. and some panch witnesses.

HIDDEN PANCHAS

Accused 1, 2 and 3 came in at about 8-30 a.m. and once again made their offer to the official, producing Rs 2,000 as an earnest of their intentions. The offer was finally raised to Rs. 5,000. During the negotiations the officers of the A.C.B. and the panchas were hidden behind a screen.

Another meeting was arranged between the accused and the Housing Controller at the Parisian Restaurant, where the money was handed over to the official. The police officers who had been witnesses to the transaction immediately took the four accused into custody.. Sunderdas Lalchand was also arrested as he was present when the incident took place and was believed to have been a party to the the deal.

Chandiram Raghumal was sentenced to 6 months R.I. and a fine of Rs. 1,000 in default three months R. I.

Jhangaidas was sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 200, in default to two months' R. I., while Ramharak was sentenced to two months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 300 or two months' R. I.

Lalchand was acquitted as it was held that he was a broker who came to meet Mr. Kazi in connection with a building which the latter was interested in purchasing. He happened to be at the scene of the incident by accident and he could not be charged with having any connection with the offer of bribery.

Prohibition Cases

BOMBAY, Thursday

The Prohibition Branch of the Greater Bombay Police picked up 289 cases, arrested 130 persons and seized 188 gallons of illicit liquor, 3,377 gallons of wash, eight gallons of foreign liquor and one gallon of spirit, during the week ended December 1 last.

TODAY'S RADIO

BOMBAY, Friday.

BOMBAY—A

244m (1,231 kc/s) 41.44m (7,240 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Bhor Bhaee (Bhajan). 7-35 Sharir Siksha. 7-40 Aj Ka Karyakram. 7-45 Malini Mehta Geet. 8-0 News E. 8-15 Harishchandra Kapileshwari (Desi). 8-45 News G.
244m)1,231 kc/s) 41.44m 7.240 kc/s).
12-45 p.m. Instrumental music. 12-50 Malini Mehta Geet. 1-0 News G. 1-10 As in Bombay B. 1-30 News E. 1-40 San Antonio Symp. Orch.
244m 31.41 from 4-20 to 7-45 p.m.
4.44m from 8-0 to 11-0 p.m.
4-20 School Broadcast. 5-0 Meenai P. Wagh Dhani. 5-15 Ratnakant Ramnathkar Jaltarang. 5-30 Harishchandra Kapileshwari Bhimpala. 6-0 News E. 6-10 Sangeet Shiksha Lessons in music. 6-30 Meenal P. Wagh (Khambavati. 7-10 Locals. 7-20 Malini Mehta Geet. 7-45 Kamgar Sabha. 8-15 News G. 8-30 As in Bombay A. 9-0 News E. 9-15 Malini Mehta Geet. 9-30 Chitrapat Se. 9-45 Tradition and experiment, New Experiment in fiction: Talk. 10-0 Bop and Novelty Jazz. 10-15 Rhythm Ramble.

BOMBAY—B

353m (850 kc/s) 48.79m.
7-30 a.m. As in Bombay A. 7-45 News in Kanada. 8-0 Jaltarang Par Hindol. By B. V. Patwardhan. 8-15 News H. 8-30 News M. 8-45 R. N Paradkar. Light Marathi songs.
353m 31.41m.
12-45 p.m. As in Bombay A. 12-50 News Marathi. 1-0 M. S. Barve. Light Marathi songs. 1-10 Bhav Nirzar. 1-40 News H. 1-50 Mahila Mandal.
353m 41.44m from 4-20 to 7-15 p.m.
61.98m from 7-30 to 11-0 p.m.
4-20 As in Bombay A. 6-0 M. S. Barve. Light Hindi songs. 6-10 News H. 6-20 Calling Rural Listeners. 7-20 As in Bombay A. 7-30 Commercial News.
61.98m (4.840 kc/s)
7-45 News K. 8-0 News M. 8-15 R. N. Paradkar (Light Hindi songs) 8-30 Gele te divas: Talk by Anant Kanekar M. 8-45 Songs of month M. 9-0 Air Quartet. Violin. Sitar, Clarionet aur Jaltarang. 9-15 News H. 9-30 As in Bombay A. 10-0 Variety programme. 10-30 Darbari by H. Kapileshwari.

BARODA

250m (1,200 kc/s).
7-30 a.m. Raag Bhupal-Todi by Violin trio. 7-40 Vyayam Shikshan. 7-45 As in Ahmedabad. 8-0 News E. 8-15 Susheela Tembe Bhajan. 8-45 News G.
5-30 p.m. Film Fare and Variety. 6-0 News E. 6-10 Marwa on Dilruba by N. Kemkar and M. Nene. 6-20 Kanubhai Shah (light vocal music.) 6-30 Gram Jano Mate. 7-0 K. C. Dey. 7-15 Hameer on Dilruba by N. Kemkar and N. Nene. 7-30 Chandrahas Mazumdar Geet. 7-45 Apano Prant G. 8-0 Garbi Geeto. 8-10 Locals. 8-15 News G. 8-30 Air Quartet (Raag Bageshree Kanada). 8-45 Afzal Hussain Khan (Thumri). 9-0 News E. 9-15 As in Ahmedabad. 9-30 Susheela Tembe.

AHMEDABAD

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7-30 a.m. As in Baroda. 7-45 V. R. Shukla. Tulsidas krut bhajan. 8-0 News E. 8-15 As in Baroda. 8-45 News G.
5-30 p.m. As in Baroda. 6-0 News E. 6-10 As in Baroda. 6-20 Gurjarina Raas. 6-30 Majoor Bhajo Mate. 7-0 Geeto. 7-15 As in Baroda. 7-30 Mishra Geeto. 7-45 Our province G. 8-0 Shashikant Gundani (Violin par Khamaj) 8-10 Locals. 8-15 News G. 8-30 V. R. Shukla. Khayal Miya Malhar. 8-45 Raag Sangeet. 9-0 News E. 9-15 As in Baroda.

CURBING INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY BAD

V. L. Mehta's Talk On Sarvodaya

BOMBAY, Thursday.

In a broadcast from the Bombay station of AIR on 'SARVODAYA', the Hon'ble Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finonce Minister, recalled Mahatma Gandhi's conviction that any measure that would destroy individual liberty or prevent its development should never be adopted. Society should be such in which opportunity for development will be available to the individual as well as to society as a whole.

The purpose of village-uplift schemes in the Province is to improve the food situation, increase production and to establish economic stability. Several Sarvodaya centres have started functioning in the various provinces, Mr. Mehta concluded.

Fall In Night Temperatures

WEATHER REPORT

POONA, Dec. 8 (PTI).—The following is the weather summary for Thursday:

Weather has been dry over the country.

Night temperatures were appreciably below normal in northern India and appreciably above normal in the east Central Provinces and the Deccan.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL FRIDAY EVENING: Weather will continue to be dry over the country except for a few falls of rain in South-East Madras and the north-east Punjab Hills.

Night temperatures will rise in the East Punjab.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from Dec. 1 and departure from normal recorded at 8 a.m. on Thursday.

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FORWARD TRADING IN SPICES ILLEGAL

Warning To Dealers

BOMBAY, Thursday

The Government of Bombay desires to draw the attention of the dealers, associations, etc., concerned to the restrictions placed on forward trading in pepper and other spices like betelnuts, cardamoms, chillies, cinnamon, cloves ginger, turmeric and nutmegs. The Spices (Forward Contracts Prohibition) Order, 1944, prohibits, with certain exceptions, any forward trading in spices. This order which, was originally issued under the Defence of India Rules, has been kept in force by the Government of India under the Essential Supplies (Temporary Powers) Act, 1946.

The only forward contracts exempted from the operation of this order are contracts for specific qualities or types for specific delivery at a specified price, delivery orders, railway receipts or bills of lading against which contracts are not transferable to third parties.

Textile Federation To Meet On Dec. 11

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The General Council of the All India Textile Technical and Supervisory Staff Federation will meet in Bombay on December 11 to consider among other things "the recent wave of retrenchment of textile employees" and "methods of achieving targets of production set up by the Government of India."

The meeting, which will be presided over by Mr. D. P. Joshi, President of the Federation, will also consider "the position of technical and supervisory staff under the proposed Labour Relations Bill."

The Pulse Of The City

SEIZED: The Nagpada Police seized a revolver and seven cartridges from a room in Khadim-E-Kabe Building at the Hujeria Street Cross Lane. On the receipt of information, a police party headed by Sub-Inspector Kamble and Nerli, raided the room of Abdul Karimuddin. The Polic earrested Abdul and his wife.

STOLEN: A house in Dongri was broken open Wednesday night and gold ornaments and cash were stolen. The loss was reported to the police by Makhmat Jamal, a resident of Sakharwala Building. Police investigations showed that the culprit entered the building by breaking open iron bars of a window on the rear side of the building.

STUPEFIED: On charges of administering a stupefying drug, cheating and abetment, the Mahim Police arrested Yasim Khan Rermankhan and Tafzulkhan Kahbali, Tuesday, and produced them before the Bandra Court, Wednesday. Police said that about 10-30 a.m. on Tuesday the complainant was walking along Miyor Mohamed Chhotani Road, when the first suspect met him and asked him for a match which he gave. He was then given a cigarette. When he started smoking, he felt giddy and sat down. The suspect also sat by his side and picked up a conversation in which he promised a job for his "companion" if he could bring Rs. 200. The complainant did not have the money, but brought some ornaments from his house with which the two suspects tried to walk away. The complainant raised an alarm and the two suspects were arrested by the police. They were let on bail.

THEFT CHARGE An employee of the Air India Ltd. S. S. Tamble, was arrested by he Santa Cruz Police on charges of house-breaking and theft. It is said that the suspect with a friend of his, now absconding, broke open the cash bax at the office of the Air India Stores where he was working and rtmoved Rs. 905. He was let on bail when he was produced before an Andheri Court.

COMMENDED: Mrs. Paul Green, wife of the U. S. Vice-consul in Bombay opening the first exhibition and sales organised by the Sir Rattan Tata Industrial Institute at the Taj, Thursday, commended the work done by the Institute, especially the display of sewing, embroidery, and other articles. Due to the increasing patronage of the public, an aggregate amount of Rs. 1 lakh has been paid so far in wages to workers; the average number of women employed was 225 and the total turn-over in sales Rs. 68 lakhs.

TURNER ON TOUR: Presently in Bombay is Professor Ralph Turner of the Yale University (U.S.A.) on a 18-month tour of the Far East and South Asia to study the characterists of the history of the twentieth century. The study is being made under a Rockfeller Grant. Prof. Turner described it as "an analysis of the changes now occurring among the world's various peoples in order to determine the common patterns that may be developing with these changes."

EN ROUTE: Delegates to the UNESCO Adult Education Seminar held recently in Bangalore, passed through Bombay on their way home. They visited the Subsidiary Food and Health Exhibition in the city.

APPEAL: An appeal filed by Sunderlal Chhotalal Shah against the sentence of one year's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 imposed by a Presidency Magistrate on the charge of cheating was admitted in the Bombay High Court, Thursday. The prosecution case was that the appellant had purchased some goods for which he issued some cheques which were dishonoured.

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OUR LONDON LETTER

GIVE UP APPEASEMENT OF DR. MALAN

British Press Demands Firm Policy On S. W. African Issue

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

LONDON (By Air Mail).

THE Attitude of the British delegation at Lake Success towards the Rev. Michael Scott, who wanted to put before the United Nations the tragic case of the tribes in South West Africa, has accentuated doubts, the Africans entertain about Britain's intentions.

It is felt that the delegation ought to have paid more attention to the moral issues and less attention to legal nicities. As it is Britain presents the sorry spectacle of appearing as an ally of Dr. Malan, the arch priest of racialism.

PRESS REACTION

The 'Tribune' warns that South Africa's racialism is poisoning the entire African continent. Britain, it says, has nothing to gain but everything to lose by appearing to support South African claims. The 'New Statesman and Nation' wants the Labour Government to make it clear to Dr. Malan that regardless of Union threats to secede, in retaliation, from the Commonwealth it would in no case surrender the protectorates of Bastuland, Swaziland and Beau Bechunland, claimed by Dr. Malan, to a State in which the subjection of Africans is the primary assumption of Government.

It is not likely that the Gopernment would provoke a clash with South African Government over the rights of Africans.

RACIAL FITS

The Bishop of Birmingham, Dr. Barnes, the other day, addressing the Birmingham Rotary Club, discussed the population by sterilisation of the country, and suggested restriction of the population by sterlisation of the unfit and curbing immigration to Britain. The solutions may appear infantile to some and outrageous to others.

Had he suggested restrictions on immigration in general the suggestion, however impractical, would not have been offensive. What he suggested was the curbing of immigration from countries like India, implying thereby that the immigration from those countries was undesirable.

Thus consciously or unconsciously the Bishop offered a slight to people of those countries. It is difficult to understand why the Bishop picked up on Indians. The number of Indians in this country is not very large. There are very few Indian immigrants. Most of these Indians are just birds of passage. They come for study or business and when their job is done return home. During their sojourn in this country they spend their money and in a small way add to its prosperity. About their general good benaviour many Mayors have borne testimony. Besides, how would Britain keep the Commonwealth intact if she were to embark on policy of discrimination against certain members of the Commonwealth. Dr. Barnes does not seem to have realised the dangerous implications of his suggestion. It is, however, noteworthy that most of the journals, including the 'Manchester Guardian,' omitted reference to India from their reports of the Bishop's speech. Indeed, Dr. Barne's views are not likely to command wide support. But there are still some men in Britain whose attitude towards Indians smacks of racial arrogance. They will draw comfort from the Bishop's reference.

RED CHINA RECOGNITION

The question of the recognition of the Chinese Communist Government continues to hang fire. The delay is deplored by all those who realise that it will not be helpful in building up good relations between Britain and New China. Indeed, the British Government is being unnecessarily unpleasant. Sooner or later the Communist Government has to be recognised. The recognition does not mean approval. If trade and intercourse have to be maintained with China the Government functioning in the country has to be recognised. Most business men are for early recognition. The Foreign Office leans towards recognition. Most countries in the Commonwealth are not averse to recognition. It is the American attitude in this matter that is holding up British recognition. But the time is come for Britain to take an independent line and recognise the Communist Government. Nothing will be gained but good deal will be lost by delaying the recognition.

WOMEN CANDIDATES

More women are standing for the coming general election than in 1945. Labour Party has so far forty women candidates. The Conservatives have twenty-six. Even Liberals are putting twenty-four women in the election battle. The Communists have seven women candidates.

The candidates include some unusual personalities. There are amongst them Fleet Street journalists, nurses, welfare workers, teachers. One of the Tory candidates is a cripple and she proposes to do her electioneering from a wheel chair. The presence of so many women candidates is bound to add colour to the elections.

NIGERIA INCIDENT.

It must be said that the Colonial Office has acted with speed in despatching a commission to investigate into the recent tragic disturbances in which a number of Nigerian miners lost their lives and limbs. It is to be hoped by a thorough and impartial enquiry the commision will be able to get to the root of the trouble and make such recommendations as would restore confidence in the colony. There must be no attempt at shielding anyone.

Meanwhile the Colonial Office is being bombarded with protests against the shooting from many quarters. The latest to join the protests are several organisations representing Cambridge students. These organisations include organisations of students from India and Pakistan. They protest not only against the shooting but against the policy which led to the shooting. Students from West Africa will hold a public demonstration against the shooting in London. The importance of these demonstrations should not be minimised simply because Communists are taking leading part in them. The Tory opposition cares a hoot if natives are shot dead. The Liberals are more or less somnolent. The only people who seem to be in earnest to champion the cause of the oppressed and exploited are the Communists. But these demonstrations express the deeply felt resentment of Africans and their friends at these shootings.

"GREAT BULWARK OF DEMOCRACY"

India Has Become A World Force

BUCK HILL FALLS, (Pennsylvania), December 7 (PTI-Reuter): India was described by a Methodist Church official today as "potentially a great bulwark of democracy—a force to be reckoned with in the world".

An Associate Secretary of the Church, Mr. James K. Mathews, told the Board of Mission and Church Extension that "from every standpoint India must be regarded as a first rate member of the family of nations. She is aware of a special role on the international scene. She is desirous of avoiding alignment with either Western or Russian blocs.

"The Communists are eagerly watching developments in India and Pakistan. The rapidity and effectiveness with which these nations meet their economic and social problems will doubtless determine whether the Marxists can gain ground".

Other officials discussed China and European countries.

Dr. Frank T. Cartwright, Associate Secretary for China, said that Chinese Communists sought absolute control of education, the press, industry, police and all other forms of power here. "Americans in a position to know the facts and who have recently returned from China have stated th since the summer of 1948 there have been no verifiable instances of persecution of Christians", he added.

CHIFLEY REPLIES TO CHARGE OF USURY

Moneys Loaned Were From Trust Funds

SYDNEY, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Joseph B. Chifley, Australian Labour Prime Minister replying tonight to accusations of having charged excessive interest on private loans during the 1931 depression—said that apart from £800 (Australian) of his own all the moneys loaned were trust funds of his wife's.

Mr. Chifley was speaking at an election meeting in the New South Wales constituency being contested by Mr. J. T. Lang, Independent Labour and former Labour Premier of New South Wales, who made the accusation yesterday.

In a bitter personal attack on Mr. Chifley, Mr. Lang had said when the Labour Party was denouncing banks and demanding reduction of the interest rate Mr. Chifley was getting up to nine per cent on private mortgages

Mr. Chifley said on the trust funds the interest charged was according to New South Wales law which stipulated that the rate must not be below the ruling rate.

Mr. Chifley was cheered when he said: "One would have thought there was enough decency in the country to leave an inoffensive woman out of political discussion".

Mr. Chifley added that during the years he had lived at Bathurst—his home—he had kept an "open door". Hundreds of people had come to him and asked him to act as trustee for them in the investment of money.

"They came to me for advice for which I received no fee. In all the years I never received for any personal service from any member of the community one penny," he said.

In conjunction with a local solicitor he had acted as trustee and loaned money for which he had never received a penny in fees except in two small instances where the lenders had not enough to satisfy the borrowers needs.

Over the year he had put in about 800 Australian pounds to meet those needs. Nobody had applied for trust funds unless they had exhausted the banks and lending societies and had been refused loans.

Mr. Chifley said the law required trustees not to disclose the trust and to accept nothing below the ruling interest rate.

"What I have done, I have done freely for the people.

I am not disclosing how Mr. Lang made his fortune. I am not going to rake over all the muckheaps of labour in New South-Wales.

"I have endeavoured in public life and in the election campaign to maintain the decent standards of this country. Remember all this is directed to damage the great Labour movement," Mr. Chifley concluded.

JAM SAHEB TOPS POLLS

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 7 (PTI): India's delegate, the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, today topped the polls twice in the budgetary committees election of a United Nations administrative tribunal of seven members, cables D. P. Wagle, PTI special correspondent.

This is a new body, to come into force on January 1 and it will handle allegations of non-observance of contracts of employment of the employees of the United Nations secretariat

Only delegates with considerable organisational experience and academic standing had a chance in the election which was by secret ballot.

U. S. Steel Mission Completes Pak Survey

LAHORE, December 7, (PTI-Reuter): Having completed their survey of West Pakistan and East Bengal, the members of the U. S. Steel Mission was leaving for Karachi today by air. The mission will complete a report of their survey before they leave for Washington on December 17.

An advance party of the mission has already left for Karachi this evening by air. During their stay in Pakistan the members of the mission have been to every important industrial centre of the dominion.

STAND BY THE UNION

Advice To Gurkhas In Burma

RANGOON, Dec. 8 (UPI): The Nepalese Consul-General—in Rangoon, Mr. P. C. Thakur, returned to Rangoon after an extensive tour in North Burma where he met the Gurkha leaders and discussed their affairs.

Speaking at Myitkyina, Mr. Thakur advised the Gurkhas, especially those who decided to settle down in this country, to perform their duty loyally to the Union of Burma. He was pleased to hear that the Gurkhas were loved and liked by the indigenous races of Burma as "the best disciplined soldier's and citizens of the soil."

SARDAR IBRAHIM OPTIMISTIC

NEW YORK, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter): Sardar Mohammed Ibrahim Khan, President of the "Azad Kashmir Government" arrived here today for the Security Council discussion on December 17 of the United Nations Kashmir Commission's Report.

"The report is bound to be in our favour, and from our point of view there should be no argument", he told reporters.

Pakistan Ambassador To Russia

KARACHI, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter): Shoab Quereshi, first Pakistan Ambassador to Russia, is expected to leave here by air for Moscow on Sunday, it was authoritatively learned yesterday.

A spokesman of the Pakistan Foreign Office said he did not know when the Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Nikolaevich Bakulin, would arrive here.

Attracting Tourists To Pakistan

KARACHI, Dec. 6. (PTI-Reuter): To attract more tourists from abroad and enable them to visit easily the historic relics of the Mohenjo-Daro in the interior of Sind. the provincial Government will shortly undertake the construction of an airfield at Mohenjo-Daro, according to the Pakistan Associated Press.

With the construction of the airfield, the work of the construction of a resting house and other such amenities would also be started, the agency added.

De Gaullist Becomes French Chief Of Staff

PARIS, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter): General Clement Blanc replaces General Georges Revers as Chief of Staff of French Land Forces. in an important high command change decided by the French Council of Ministers today.

General Clement Blanc is 52 years old. His last assignment was that of Chief of Staff to General Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, Commander-in-Chief of the Western European Land Forces.

During the last war he was permanent Secretary to General De Gaulle's War Cabinet in Algiers.

Prefabricated Houses Shipped To Bengal

STOCKHOLM: (IPS): The Swedish East-Asiatic Company's motorship recently left a North Swedish port with 1,000 pre-fabricated houses destined for Calcutta, according to the Trade Journal, "Swedish Foreign Commerce".

AID TO PALESTINE REFUGEES

U. N. Establishes Special Fund

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations Budgetary Committee today approved the establishment of a special fund for relief and works programmes to aid Palestine refugees.

The plan recommended by the Political Committee will be worked on a basis of voluntary contributions from member states and the local governments. It envisages an expenditure of 54,900,000 dollars in 18 months beginning on January 1 next.

The United Nations was expected to to advance upto 5,000,000 dollars to enable the fund to start operations.

The Secretary Genera's report made it clear that the United Nations would not be able to advance more than 3,000,000 dollars. He had said "this financial situation emphasises the need for early action by members of the United Nations in making contributions to the special fund".

PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH

Prerequisite To Malay Citizenship

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec. 7 (PTI): Indians and other non-Malays resident in Malaya are keenly interested in the reminder issued by the Government of Malaya today, that certain temporary concessions in respect of registration as Federal citizens, now in operation, will cease to have effect from February 1, 1950.

Under these concessions, persons over 45 years of age who have lived in the Federation area for at least 20 years, are not, required to know Malay or English at all, if they apply for registration before February 1, 1950.

Also, other persons otherwise qualified and applying before February 1 are only required to speak Malay or English with reasonable proficiency.

TIGHTENING UP

After February 1, the language qualifications will get tightened, and applicants for Federal citizenship will be required both to read and write Malay or English.

Over three millions of the five million population of the Malayan Federation are already Federal citizens by the operation of law.

The Federal Legislative Council of Malaya this week adopted a resolution that the Malay and English languages should be taught compulsory in all Government and Government-aided primary schools of the country.

FRENCH—PAKISTAN TRADE PACT

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, Dec. 8: Pakistan will supply France with 2,25,000 bales of Cotton, 4,50,000 bales of raw jute, 5,000 tons of cotton seeds, 1,000 tons of raw wool and 2,000 tons of hides and skins according to a special trade agreement entered into by the Governments of France and Pakistan. This agreement, which was negotiated on behalf of France by a special Trade Delegation at Karachi, has since been ratified by the two Governments.

In exchange of Pakistan's supplies of raw materials needed by France's industries, France will export to Pakistan a number of articles including 40,000 tons of pig iron (mostly sleepers for Pakistan railways), 66,000 tons of steel, 20,000 cubic feet of hardwood, plants and machinery worth a crore of rupees and variety of other consumer goods including cotton, woollen, silk and rayon fabrics and varn, tea chests, tanning and dyeing products, fire bricks, electric wires, tyres, tubes etc.

This agreement, which is for a period of one year in the first instance and which has come into force immediately, has been signed with a view to increase commercial ties between the two countries.

HINDU SAVINGS IN PAKISTAN BANKS

List Demanded

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, Dec. 8: The Custodian of Evacuee Property, it is learnt, has issued orders to all the local Banks to supply him with lists of deposits and other securities they are still holding in the names of their Hindu constituents.

The Banks have further been asked not to register transfer of their shares standing in the name of any Hindu, whether that Hindu still continues to remain in Pakistan or not.

Most of the Banks have already complied with these instructions, which have been issued under the Evacuee Properties Ordinance.

American Exporters Look For Security In India

NEW YORK, December 7 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. F. H. Jewell, Export Manager of the Davia Lawrence Company of Dobbs Ferry, New York, told the Export Managers Club here that the only way American manufacturers of consumer goods can sell in India "is to manufacture there, which many drug companies are now doing". Mr Jewell, who recently returned from a 27,000 mile trip to Africa, India and the Middle East, added that many American concerns which would have to make a large capital investment to do business in India "are waiting for signs of more security and what the new Government will do when India becomes a republic next month.

F. A. O. APPEALS TO MEMBERS TO MAKE UP ARREARS

India Gets A Place In Commodity Problems Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7, (PTI-Reuter:— The World Food and Agriculture Organisation, short of funds for moving its permanent headquarters from Washington to Rome next year, has appealed to members to make up their arrears of annual contributions, estimated at 2,000,000 dollars.

The secretariat has calculated that the move will cost from 1,300,000 to 1,500,000 dollars.

The conference, which ends today, decided last night to defer its next meeting until April, 1951, but authorised the Director-General, Mr. Dodd, to call a conference next November if necessary.

The Conference adopted at its final session a new scale of membership contributions designed to hold the United States assessment to 25 per cent. Canada, Australia and India, who during the conference had spearheaded a drive to secure adoption of the principle of capacity to pay, reaffirmed their reservations.

INDIA SUPPORTS CANADIAN RESOLUTION

The Canadian Agriculture Minister, Mr. J. Gardiner, said Canada would agree to the majority decision, but felt that its assessment was inequitable in elation to her income per head of the population.

Australia and India supported the Canadian view.

Switzerland and the United Kingdom, who previously had reserved the position of their Governments, abstained from the final voting, which approved the new scale by 31 votes to two.

It recognised a theoretical ceiling of 25 per cent for any one nation though the United Stats agreed to an assessment of 27.1 per cent on a temporary basis.

The new scale imposes an annual assessment of 4.5 per cent of the five million dollars budget on Canada, 2.82 on Australia, 3.79 on India, and 0.82 on Pakistan.

The United Kingdom will be assessed at 15.62 per cent and Switzerland 1.77.

The Conference voted to give temporary relief to Finland, Austria and China by reducing assessments to 0.2 per cent, 0.34 and 4.35 respectively.

On the separation of Indonesia, the Netherlands assessment was reduced to 1.59 per cent.

India In Commodity Problems Committee

The Food and Agriculture Organisation's Council named the 14 countries which will serve on the new committee on commodity problems.

Regional representation will be: North America— United States and Canada: Latin America— Brazil, Uruguay and Cuba: Middle East— Egypt and Pakistan: Europe— Briatin, France, Netherlands, and Poland; Pacific— Australia, India and Indonesia.

The Philippines, Portugal and Ceylon were also nominated, but were defeated in a secret ballot.

The first meeting of the Committee will probably be held in Washington early in 1950 It will initiate discussions between Governments in an effort to move food supplies to consumer countries.

The Council also named a headquarters advisory committee to advise the Director-General on problems connected with the move of headquarters to Rome. Represented in this committee are Britain, France, Switzerland, India, Mexico and China.

Three other countries— the United States, Italy and Canada— were nominated but declined office.

MANUFACTURE U. S. GOODS IN INDIA

Businessman's Tip

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REPRESENTATION TO PAKISTAN STATES

Assembly To Decide

KARACHI, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter): The question of giving representation to the hitherto unrepresented 4,500,000 people of the 11 States acceding to Pakistan will be decided by the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan on the opening day of its winter session, December 22.

It was stated here that the States of Bhawalpur and Khairpur would be represented in the coming four week session of the Assembly.

In regard to the States of Baluchistan and the N.W.F.P., it is believed the question of representation will be decided by some arrangement likely to take the form of grouping for single representation

New Czech Family Code

PRAGUE, Dec. 7, (PTI-Reuter): The Czechoslovak National Assembly today approved without dissent a new family code making civil marriages obligatory, tightening divorce rules and allowing a wife to retain her own surname

Civil marriage must now precede any church ceremony.

The couple must decide beforehand on the surname of their children.

The laws, which come into force on January 1, also provide for complete equality between legitimate and illegitimate children.

They were described as being based on the Soviet code—"the master plan for the peoples democracies".

A woman member, Dr. Patschova, told the Assembly they would end the old system "designed to preserve private property through monogamy and the rule of the male"

1,500 Refugees Leave Jullundur Camp

JULLUNDUR, Dec. 8, (PTI): About 1,500 of the 3,000 Muslim evacuees who had come to the Muslim evacuees transit camp, Jullundur, from the various Provinces to go to Pakistan have already left, it is learnt from the camp sources.

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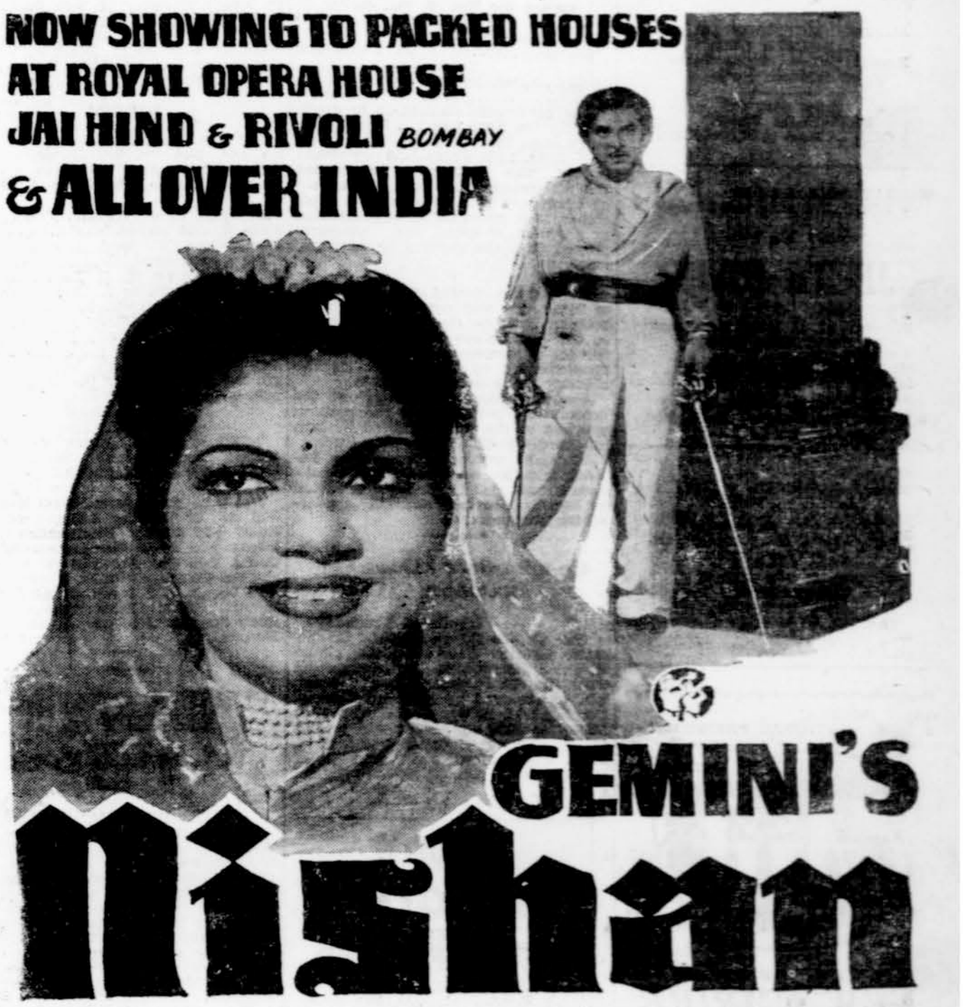

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RELEASING TODAY AT LIBERTY — NAGPUR

G.I.P.'s Odd Goal In Five Victory Over R.I.N.

SENIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE AT COOPERAGE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

G. I. P. Railway "A" are now a team that should be able to make for top honours in Bombay major tournament particularly with the clever display they put in this evening. Munir has shown his prowess with the stick by some neat and elusive passes. Today he scored two of his sides goals against the Royal Indian Navy and paved the way for his side to score the third. The Navy succumbed by the odd goal in five. Later Dockyard and Goan Sports were concerned in a hard fought battle and finally shared two goals in this evenings Senior Hockey League encounter.

The Navy had a golden scoring opportunity when the game was in its infancy Idris and Miranda their attackers beat the Railway defence and goalie Donnelly but Miranda tapped feebly so that Lall Manomed reached in the nick of time to clear.

In the twentieth minutes however, Munir paved the way for his sides opening goal when from a goalmouth scrimmage he passed to Lyte who banged the ball to the boards to give the Railway the lead. A minute later Bocarro sent in a through pass to Munir who scooped into goal giving his side their second. Soon the Railway had two more chances but these were wasted. The Navy did likewise.

Crossing over with a two goal lead the Railway side slackened and the Navy were seen to attack and they were rewarded in the opening minute when Lall sent in a goalmouth centre which Miranda converted. In the third quarter of the game Duckworth equalized for the Navy off a penalty corner.

Seven minutes later however Munir always dependable made a beautiful short passing movement between him and Fernandes pay dividends. Munir finally scoped from close in to give his side the lead and all important goal to give Railway another important two points.

A DRAWN GAME

Goan Sports were held to a draw by Dockyard Showny splendid combination: Goans Sports were a well knit side. Dockyards attack was smothered by a determined defence and it was only due to Abraham's and K. L. Febour's hard work that the Goan attack was broken into.

The Goans scored in the first half through A. D'Souza in the fifteen minute when the ball swung from outer to outer and was tapped in by him. Half time saw the Goans in the lead.

Midway through the scored half Joaquim D'Souza and Walter D'Souza the Goan deep defender and goalie respectively were penalized for obstructing Abraham in goal area Karl Le Fabour converted the penalty corner to bring his side on level terms. Caesar Gomes was warned for dangerous play and A. D'Souza the Goan right inner was injured and took no further part in the closing stages of the game. The match ended in a draw.

Juvenile S. C. Win By Two Goals To Nil

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Juvenile S. C. secured full points at the expense of Black Spiders whom they beat by two goals to nil in the Second Division of the B.P.H.A. League played this evening at the Old Association ground.

The inefficiency of the B.P.H.A. was demonstrated when there was no medical aid available for Hussain of Black Spiders who was seriously injured on the knee, and the lone first-aid attendant was unable to do anything as he was not provided with a proper first-aid kit and the injured player had to be removed to hospital for necessary attention. It has become a regular feature for players to get injured on a bumpy ground and that the authorities should act so indifferently even after it had been brought to their notice on several occasions through the medium of the papers, is shocking and it is hoped that the President of the B.P.H.A., Mr. Naval Tata will see that the affairs of this body are managed in a better manner, as there is every likelihood that some very serious injury may take place some day and they will be held responsible for it.

The game was scrappy throughout and both sides indulged in hard hitting and little constructive play.

The winners led by a goal in the first half scored by Bhimrao but Black Spiders threw away a penalty bully when Pollack failed to get the better of A. Joseph. After the interval Juveniles consolidated their position through Milford.

Earlier in the evening Young Rovers beat Telegraph R. C. by a solitary goal scored by H. Andrade.

MASCARENHAS WINS 800 METRE RUN

Inter-College Athletics In Bombay

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The heats of the various events in connection with the Annual Bombay Collegiate Athletic Sports conducted by the University of Bombay were held this afternoon at the St. Xavier's College Ground Parel.

The following were the results:

110 METRES HIGH HURDLES

HEAT (1) N. Gotting (St. Xaviers's 1), R Buhariwala (BMC) 2, A. Gracias (S Xavier's 3) Time 17.9 secs.

HEAT (2) J. Crasto (St. Xavier's 1), M. Benjamin (Khalsa) 2.

HOP-STEP AND JUMP

FINALS—Kakungulu (EC & RIS) 1, H.M. Masani (GMC) 2, J. Crasto (St. Xavier's) 3. Distance 41 ft. 4 ins.

100 METRES RUN

The following have qualified for the semi-finals.

FIRST HEAT: F. Soonawala (NMC) 1, J. Crasto (St. Xavier's) 2, C. Korgaonkar (Ruia) 3. Time 12 secs.

SECOND HEAT: O. Pinto (GMC) 1, N. Gotting (St. Xavier's) 2, R. Soonawala (NMC) 3. Time 11.8 secs.

THIRD HEAT: R. Buhariwala (GMC) 1, E. Powell (St. Xavier's) 2, S. Asgar (N. College) 3. Time 11.9 secs.

FOURTH HEAT: S. D'Cunha (St. Xavier's 1, H. Madan (Ruia) 2, N. Robin (Khalsa) 3. Time 12.1 secs.

3000 METRES CYCLE RACE

FIRST HEAT: A. Writer (St. Xavier's) 1, A. Multani (Khalsa) 2. J. Choksi (Wilson). Time 6 mins. 1.7 secs.

SECOND HEAT: A Patel (Khalsa) 1, S. Jhaveri (Siddarth) 2, E. Pavri (Siddarth) 3. Time 5 mins. 53.1 secs.

RUNNINGG BROAD JUMP FOR WOMEN

FINAL: Banoo Gazdar (St. Xavier's) 1, C. Rebeiro (Sophia C.) 2, N Farias (Sophia C.) Distance 15 ft. 11 inches.

4X100 METRES RELAY (HEATS)

FIRST HEAT: St. Xavier's 1, CMC 2, National College 3. Time 47.8 secs.

SECOND HEAT: Khalsa C, 1. Ruia C. 2, Siddarth 3. Time 49.7 secs.

400 METRES RUN HEATS

FIRST HEAT: J. Crasto (St. Xavier's) 1, A. D'sa (Khalsa) 2, R. Omer (St Xavier's) 3. Time 57.9 secs.

SECOND HEAT: O. Pinto (GMC) 1, S. D'Sunha (St. Xavier's) 2, F Engineer (Siddarth) 3. Time 59.4 secs.

THIRD HEAT: V. D 'Souza (St Xavier's) 1, R. Soonawalla (N. Medical) 2, B. D'Mello (Siddarth) 3. Time 56.0 secs.

50 METRES RUN FOR WOMEN

FIRST HEAT: B. Gazdar (St. Xavier's) 1, C. Rebeiro (Sophia) 2, K Behram (St. Xavier's) 3. Time 7.4 secs.

SECOND HEAT: R. Mistry (St Xavier's) 1, A. Fernandes (Sophia) 2, M. Coelho (Sophia) 3. Time 6.9 secs.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP (FINAL)

F. D'Silva (Siddarth) 1, N. Gotting (St. Xavier's) 2, H. Kamat (Bhawan)) and Kakungulu (EC & RIS) aied for third place. Height 5' 5-2|5".

800 METRES RUN (FINAL)

M. Mascarenhas (St. Xavier's) 1, P. Motiwalla (GMC) 2, E. Soares (St. Xavier"s) 3. Time 2 mins. 14.4 secs.

4X400 METRES RELAY (HEATS

The following qualified for the finals. St. Xavier's GMC. Siddar, Khalsa.

PUT SHOT

The following qualified for the finals.

N. Gotting (St. Xavier's) E. Rozario (St. Xavier's), D. Shete (Sddarth), N. Raut (Siddarth), A. Kabre (Wilson), J. Mansoor (GMC). N. Goting of St. Xavier's held the lead with a put of 30 ft. 10-3|4 inches.

BOXING IN BOMBAY

A group photo of the organisers of the Western India Boxing Championships held recently and some prominent competitors shows from left to right: Gene Vandergucht, Ron Wilmer, Peter Prince, Sir Eugen Millington-Drake, Terry Adams, I. Sassoon, H. Norris and E. Kothare. The lovely trophies are arranged in the foreground.

Cecil Pepper To Return To England Today

ILL HEALTH FORCES HIM TO CUT VISIT SHORT

BOMBAY, December 8.

Cecil Pepper, a member of the Commonwealth Cricket team is returning to England tomorrow "due to ill health," George Duckworth, Manager of the team said here tonight.

Duckworth added that Pepper had reported to him before the first "Test" at Delni that his health was causing him anxiety. But both he and Pepper felt that the Pakistan climate may do the latter a lot of good. Contrary to their expectations, nowever, there was no improvement in Pepper's health.

Pepper, therefore, is flying back to London tomorrow.

Mr. A. S. De Mello, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India who had a talk with George Duckworth and "Jock" Livingston, the captain of the team, soon after their arrival here this evening, said that "the question of any replacement in the team does not arise as all the other members of the team are fit."

While the Commonwealth cricket team is proceeding tonight to Poona where they will play a four-day match against the West Zone commencing from December 10 George Duckworth is staying behind in Bombay to see off Pepper and later join the team in Poona.

This early departure of all-rounder Pepper, who along with George Tribe has been the spearhead of the Commonwealth team's spin attack, will reduce the strength of the team to fifteen, besides the manager.

They have still to play four "Test" matches and eight other matches in India and they are programmed to tour Ceylon for a fortnight.

Rangachari Leaves For Bombay

MADRAS, Dec. 8, (PTI): C. R. Rangachari, medium-fast bowler of Madras, who has been chosen for India for the second unofficial "test" against the Commonwealth cricket team to be played at Bombay, left for Bombay by train this morning. B. C. Alva, also selected as reserve for the "Test" also left for Bombay by the same train.

Third Division Hockey League

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Bombay Port Trust 'B' scored yet another victory in the Third Division of the B.P.H.A. League this evening at the Parsi Cyclist ground when they beat the third string of H.M.I. Dockyard by two goals to nil. H. Fernandes was responsible for both the goals scored by his side, one in each half.

In the second match Dolphin S. C. prevailed over Young Comrades 'B' by a solitary goal scored by Cajetan Fernandes.

Fr. Palacios School League

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Fr. Palacios Inter-School League conducted by the Parel Sports Club commenced this evening with two matches both of which ended in draws.

The following were the results:—

Master Tutorial H. S. 0, Antonio D'Silva H S. 0.

St. Xavier's High School 3, St. Stanislaus High School 3.

Singapore Invites Our Hockey Stars

LUCKNOW, Dec. 8, (PTI)

Two more foreign Hockey Associations—Singapore and Trinidad—have approached the Indian Hockey Federation to send an Indian hockey team to tour their countries.

These invitations along with the invitation of Kenya Hockey Association, will be considered at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Indian Hockey Federation to be held at Nagpur on December 25.

EDWARDS ANNEXES NATIONAL SNOOKER

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8, (PTI): Frank Edwards, the English Amateur Billiard Champion, won the title of the Snooker Championship of India by defeating T. A. Selvaraj of Bangalore (holder) in the final tonight by five frames to two. The tournament was played under the auspices of the Billiards Association and Control Council of India.

The game was much closer than the ecor indicated, Selvaraj won the first frame and Edwards the next two frames, to lead two frames to one. Selvraj fought back and won the fourth frame to draw abreast of his opponent at two frames all. Edwards led by three frames to two when a break of fifteen minutes was applied. Both the players came back after the interval with renewed vigour and both of them potted exceedingly well but Edwards by making a fine break of thirty-six followed by one of eighteen won the sixth frame by 10 points to 32.

The Seventh frame saw Edwards run away with break of 22 and 14 before Selvaraj could get going and soon Edwards led by forty to one. Selvaraj was however not to be so easily checked and fighting hard pulled up with small but useful breaks and drew level at fortynine. Luck however deserted him as Green, Brown and Blue weremissed by him when any one of these balls potted would have meant the frame going to Selvaraj.

Edwards, steady as a rock, kicked these balls left by the Selvaraj ove the pocket one by one and won the frame by sixty-seven—forty-nine and thereby also won the title.

Albert Brown Beats Sydney Smith

LONDON, Dec. 7, (PTI): Albert Brown, Birmingham who received six points a frame, beat Sydney Smith by 20 frames to 17, in their "News of the World" 1,500 Sterling Snooker match here tonight. It was Smith's first defeat in the tournament.

Brown had an interval lead of 18 frames to 12.

Evening session scores were (Brown first): 30 to 79; 22 to 89; 105 to 25; 25 to 98; 59 to 77; 22 to 84; 85 to 33.

Pakistan Lawn Tennis

LAHORE, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter): Fausto Gardini F. Italy, Pedro Massipe of Spain, Heraldo Weiss of Argentina and Iftikhar Ahmed of Pakistan today reached the semi-finals in the Pakistan Lawn Tennis men's singles championship here.

Quarter-final results were: Fardini beat Afzal Hyat (Pakistan 6-2, 6-1; Massip beat Murad Khan (Pakistan) 6-4; 6-1; Weiss Beat Mohammed Alam (Pakistan), who retired with a sprained ankle when 0-3 behind in the firsts set. Iftikhar Ahmed beat Giliano Scribani (Italy) 6-0, 6-1.

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Deepak Mahal Excels In Turf Club Cup Preparation

SMART WORK BY RED CARNATION

By OUR TRACK REPORTER

The following are the track-trials noted at Mahaluxmi:—

OUTER TAN.

VALIANT PRINCE (Duffy) strode attractively over a mile from 9 to 1 in 1 minute 52 seconds.

DINIAR (Uttam) RANA PRATAP (Duffy) and RAMAL (Nolan) covered a mile in 1 minute 50 seconds. The second-named is likely to win at his first attempt.

FITNA (Duffy) ASOKA (Uttam) and PIPPY (Nolan) moved freely when covering six furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds. Fitna and Asoka will get their turns early.

RASHTRAPATI (Jai Singh) held comfortably KISS MISS (Khade) when engaged over a mile. Timing 1 minute 55 seconds.

SWEET MARYLA (A. Ahmed) was speedier than ABDEL (R.B.) when tried over six furlongs. Both were in hand and returned 1 minute 24 seconds.

BATTLE SONG (R.B.) disposed of CHETNA (Bhoor) when covering six furlongs in 1 minute 24 1/2 seconds

KHAN SAHEB (Kasbekar) moved at a fair pace when making the last six furlongs in 1 minute 24 seconds.

INDRAMOHINI (Kasbekar) was a shade better than GWALIOR EXPRESS (R.B.) when covering a mile in 1 minute 52 seconds.

SOMETHING SPECIAL (R.B.) clocked five furlongs in 1 minute 10 seconds.

CHAND CHAKOR (Kheem) and DENCE OF CLUBS (Antoo) were in close order at the end of a gallop over six furlongs. They took 1 minute 22 seconds for the journey. A fit pair.

BALAM (Kheem) covered a mile at 3/4 pace in 1 minute 54 seconds. ZALIM (Antoo) was picked at the three. The last three furlongs were covered in 37 seconds.

LIBERTY BELLE (Kheem) was half length in front of FAIR HAVEN (Antoo) and SWEETIE SHAH (G. Chavan) was three lengths behind when sent over six furlongs. Timing 1 minute 21 seconds.

JEANNE D'ARC (Whiteside) held FIRMAMENT (Nolan) when covering seven furlongs in 1 minute 35 seconds.

INDEPENDENCE (Shaikh) shaned better than ROYAL CRUSADER (Nolan) when moving over six furlongs in 1 minute 21 seconds.

NEW MOON (Mahmud Khan) traversed the last three furlongs in 39 seconds.

ROMEO (Purtu) covered four furlongs in 55 seconds.

PRINCE OF MAHAD (Duffy) and PHONE AGAIN (Bhoor) were sent on slow work. The pair recorded 55 seconds for half mile.

WET BOB (Damodar) was in front of MACK (D'Monte) when making a six furlongs journey in 1 minute 23 1/2 seconds.

BATTLING ADMIRAL (Shiba) strode impressively and returned 1 minute 23 seconds for the last six furlongs.

D. DAY (J. Bhosle) moved very well in hand when covering nine furlongs in 2 minute 10 seconds.

DEEPAK MAHAL (Kasbekar) covered a mile in 1 minute 47 1/2 seconds. Outstanding trial during the week.

PRETTY TOWN (R.B.) and PICK MONEY (R.B.) travelled smoothly over six furlongs and clocked 1 minute 24 1/5 seconds.

PAN SUPARI (Kan Singh) covered a mile in 1 minute 51 seconds.

BIG BLAZE (Kheem) did a smashing three furlongs burst in 36 seconds.

ILLICIT (J. Bhosle) covered six furlongs in 1 minute 21 1/2 seconds.

SHOOKARIYA (Dar) disposed of a boy companion when worked over three. He returned 39 seconds. Likely to make amends.

INNER GRASS.

RED CARNATION (R. Mulla) was better than V. DAY (J. Bhosle). She clocked 1 minute 5 seconds. Likely winner.

TO-DAY'S SPURTS ON OUTER TAN

PANKAJ (Devaney) showed out ling over three furlongs in 36 seconds from PIPPY (Jagdesh) when travel-

ARMY AND NAVY (Medhe) covered half mile from 9 to 5 in 54 seconds.

GWALIOR EXPRESS (Kasbekar) held SHAH NAWAZ (Dinkar) when sent over three furlongs. Timing 37 seconds.

QUEEN OF GWALIOR (Deshmukh) strode in front of INDRAMOHINI (Kasbekar) when covering three furlongs in 37 seconds.

YEARLING (R.B.) negotiated three furlongs in 37 seconds at a good pace.

SWEET MARYLA (Amir Ahmed) KING'S STAR (Dinmahomed) and SIR GALHAD (Kader) lay in the order mentioned at the end of a three furlongs burst. Timing 35 3/5 seconds

DESERT KID (A. Ahmed), JONETTE (R.B.), CREPE DE CHINE (J. Bhosle) covered three furlongs in 39 seconds. They were not fully extended.

RED CARNATION (Whiteside) had the measure of V. DAY (J. Bhosle) when recording an excellent three furlongs spurt in 36 1/5 seconds. The first-named two-year-old appears a certainty for Saturday.

DEEPAK MAHAL (Kasbekar) held SNEHPRABHA (Deshmukh) when putting a note-worthy three furlongs burst in 35 seconds. Likely winner of the Club Cup.

BALAM (Kheem Singh) was extended when worked over three furlongs this morning. He clocked 35 seconds.

Hard held FAIR HAVEN (Antoo) was in front of CHAND CHAKOR (Kheem) when making a three furlongs trip in 37 1/2 seconds.

LIBERTY BELLE (Kheem) was out far an airing. She clocked three furlongs in 42 seconds.

INDEPENDENCE (Shaikh) disposed of SEA GULL (Nolan) when worked over three furlongs. Timing 37 seconds. The first-named is likely to repeat while the latter is also a nice type.

FIND OUT (Guman) moved in front of GIPSY BILL (Dar) when covering three furlongs in 37 seconds.

BASHIR (Medhe) covered three furlongs in 37 1/2 seconds.

EIGHT ACCEPT IN VICTORY CUP

THE CHOWPATTY PLATE—(Div. II)—5 Furs.

Sheribeen 8-7; Shangrilla 8-7; Cold Shoulder 8-7; Again & Again 8-7; Shookariya 8-7; Madras 8-7; Agni Mani 8-7; Don't be Silly 8-7; Masked Lady 8-7; Air Hostess 8-7; Caltex Queen 8-7; Patricia 8-7.

THE CHOWPATTY PLATE—(Div. I)—5 Furs.

Gay Radha 8-7; Rumbita 8-7; My Aziza 8-7; Nagarpalika 8-7; Sundri 8-7; Passing Shower 8-7; Red Carnation 8-7; Belle Syme 8-7; Something Special 8-7; Celerity 8-7.

THE SHAHPUR PLATE—(Div. II)—1 Mile.

Par Excellence 9-3; Nature Boy 9-2; Pretty Town 9-2; Carpala 9-1; King's Cup 9-0; Sunlight 8-12; Shah of Iran 8-11; Gwalior Express 8-10; Chetna 8-10; Gipsy Bill 8-10; Jahan Zaib 7-13; Ma Cherie 8-9; Rohini 8-9; Time Bomb 8-6; Royal Highness 8-1; Marvel 8-0; Crepe de Chine 7-9; Army and Navy 7-8; Khushroo 7-4; Tittina 7-0.

THE MAHIM PLATE—(Div. II)—1 Mile, 1 Fur.

D. Day 9-0; Pavan 8-13; Shah Nawaz 8-11; Pan Supari 8-11; Her Excellency 8-7; Battling Admiral 8-5; King's Star 8-4; Bihari 8-4; Navroze 8-4; Show On 8-2; Battle Out 7-13; Ganga Singh 7-10.

THE TURF CLUB CUP—1 Mile.

Deepak Mahal 8-10; Khan Saheb 8-3; Firmament 8-10; Talwan 8-10; Jeanne D'Arc 8-9; Balam 8-8; Paper King 8-8; Aman 7-8.

THE PALGHAR PLATE—6 Furs.

Liberty Belle 9-6; Full House 9-0; New Moon 9-0; Royal Crusader 8-9; Fair Haven 8-8; Flying Arrow 8-8; My Pet 8-8; Flying Dragon 8-7; Snehprabha 8-4; Star of Mahad 8-4; Sea Gull 8-2; Pankaj 7-13; Red Bird 7-10; Gipsy Moon 7-9; Royal Flower 7-8; Pippy 7-8; Illicit 7-2.

THE MAHIM PLATE—(Div. I)—1 Mile, 1 Fur.

Kalpna 9-2; Makarpura 8-13; Gold Legion 8-13; Bashir 8-11; Rashtrapati 8-11; Deuce of Clubs 8-11; Phone Again 8-9; Panditji 8-9; Saita 8-9; Valiant Prince 8-5; Desert Kid 8-3; Mansoor Boy 8-1; Sir Galahad 8-1.

THE DAHISAR PLATE—6 Furs.

Truman 9-2; Independence 9-0; Prince of Mahad 8-13; Sweet Maryla 8-12; Titli 8-11; Yearling 8-10; Baaz Bahadur 8-10; Chand Chakor 8-6; Pride d'Antibes 8-9; Hurricane 8-7; Find Out 8-3; Queen of Gwalior 8-3; Futurity 8-3; Dev Doot 8-1; Irish Right 8-0; Georgie 7-12.

THE SHAHPUR PLATE—(Div. I)—1 Mile.

Lira Malt 9-1; Dominate 8-11; Mr. Rambler 8-5; Torrent 8-11; Battle Song 8-11; Aarzu 8-11; Indra Mohini 8-9; Ijjat 8-9; Pick Money 8-9; Princess of Hindustan 8-8; Kotidhwaj 8-8; Adorable 8-7; Queen's Cup 8-5; Banshee 8-5; Brilliant Sunshine 8-0; Billy Boy 7-13.

VENKATRAMAN OUT OF SINGLES

Mysore Association Table Tennis

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Thrilling and exciting encounters were witnessed when a busy programme comprising of the first and second rounds of Juniors and postponed Mixed Doubls and third and fourth rounds of Men's Singles were on the card for decision this evening in the Mysore Association Open Table Tennis Tournament conducted in their pavilion at Matunga.

Fancied pairs and favourites moved into the quarter-finals stage at the expense of their opponents with the exception of few surprising defeats. In the postponed Mixed Doubles match National Champion Uttam Chandarana partnered by young Savitha Sethi, who came to his rescue, a seeded combination quit the ranks at the hands of S. B. Jog and Silloo Motiwala.

Jog was the best of the quartette, and as usual with his earratic forehand he missed many valuable points and as a result of this Jog and Silloo Motiwala lost the first game to the seeded pair, gathering thirteen points. In the second game Jog and Silloo Motiwala took lead at the outset with ideal temperament, kept Uttam Chandarana and Savitha Sethi on the defensive Silloo Motiwala's unexpected forehand drives and 'kills' worried the seeded pair tremendously and ultimately Jog and Silloo Motiwala ran victorious conceding eighteen, fifteen and thirteen points only.

Youngster Nandlal Bajaj gave yet another creditable display of table tennis when he accounted for R. N. Muthuswamy in the third round of Men's Singles. Bajaj utilising his forehand and backhand flicks and ably assisted by drop shots, kept the more experienced rival on his toes. Bajaj took considerable time to settle down, as a result he lost the first game, but playing very cautiously with judicious counter-attacks won the next two games. Muthuswamy made valiant efforts to pull the fourth game in his favour when his younger opponent was 18-14 and his grit and experience enabled him to draw level at 19-19, but missing a sitter into the net at 19-20 he tamely succumbed to Don Boscoite.

V. Venkatraman, who has recently won laurels from the South was at sea when he met V. Ranganath a local player in the third round of Men's Singles. Usually an aggressive player, since his return from Madras, V. Venkatraman could do anything against his rival but to take the new role of defence. Ranganathan possessed a piercing forehand and administering this deadly weapon, he kept the more reputed player near the wall throughout the four games, with the result he bagged the first and second games in a plucky manner. Venkatraman changed his tactics in the third game, when he mixed defence with slight top spin with the result to drove the opponent off the table and clinched the same in a convincing manner. Again he reverted to his defence in spite of knowing that mixing the game would pay him higher dividends, he could resist the hard hitting Ranganathan for only ten points and later the latter hitting splendidly swept his more talented opponent off the table and created a great sensation by beating him in four games.

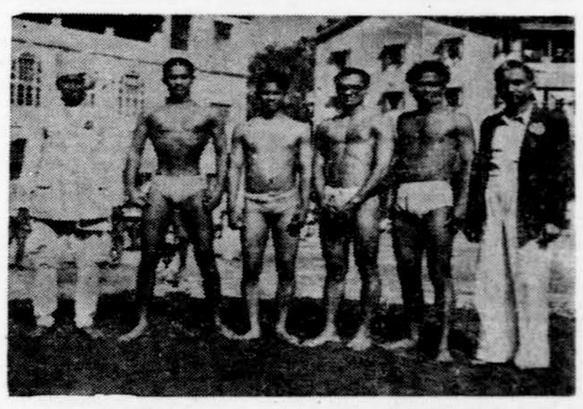
The scores were as follows:

JUNIOR SINGLES (Semi-finals): S. L. Bajaj beat F. H. Pardiwala 11-21, 21-14, 21-19; M. L. Lulla beat N. L. Baja, 22-20, 21-11.

MEN'S SINGLES (Third Round): S. Narayan beat V. V. Prabhu 18-21, 21-16, 21-14, 21-16; S. S. Sastry beat N. D. S. Rao 21-8, 21-6, 21-16, 21-17, 21-16; S. B. Jog beat M. L. Lulia 21-11, 17-21, 24-22, 21-19; K. N. S. Narayanan beat N. S Raja Rao 22-20, 21-12, 21-12; M. V. S. Vittal beat C. R. Keshava Rao 21-18, 21-16, 21-16; U. M. Chandaranna bea V. S. Bangera 21-15, 21-14, 21-18; Kamath beat N. G. Dalve 15-21, 21-8, 21-11, 21-18; Kumar Ghosh beat P. Srinivas 21-14, 21-12, 21-18; P. Kumar beat T. N. Sivaramakrishna 21-12, 21-8, 21-12; N. V. Halady beat Narayana Bajaj 21-12, 21-15, 21-14; H. P. Sridhara Rao beat M. S. Rao 21-23, 30-28, 21-7; N. B. Mistry beat D. D. Walkwalker 21-18, 21-13, 21-19, N. L. Bajaj beat R. N. Muthuswamy 19-21, 21-19, 21-15, 21-17; V. Ranganath beat V. Venkata Raman; 23-21, 24-22, 14-21, 21-17; B. P. Baliga beat E. K. Mistry 21-8, 21-17, 22-20.

(Fourth Round): Kumar Ghosh beat N. L. Bajaj 21-16, 21-13, 21-14; M. V. S. Vittal beat M. Ranganath 21-12, 21-11, 21-17; U. M. Chandaranna beat Kamath 21-9, 21-15, 21-12; S. B. Jog beat Narayan S. 21-18, 16-24, 21-14; N. B Mistry beat P. Kumar 21-16, 14-21, 21-13, 21-15; B. P. Baliga beat S. S. Sastry 21-12, 21-12, 21-19; K. N. S. Narayan beat H. P. S. Rao.

COLLEGIATE WRESTLING IN BOMBAY



A group photo of the winners of the Inter-Collegiate Wrestling Contest held in Bombay recently during the Physical Education Week celebrations. From left to right they are: G. G. Jog, D. M. Deodhar, P. A. Bhat and P. R. More.

Harris Shield Cricket

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Playing in the semi-final of the Harris Shield Cricket Tournament The Bharda New High School trounced the Robert Money High School by 221 runs today at the Islam Gymkhana Ground.

Scores: Bharda New High School 368 for 9 dec. Robert Money High School 147 (M. R. Naik 21, D. G. Honnekeri 30, D. R. Mody 3/38, K. A. Patel 3/23.

ARSENAL SOCCER TEAM WINS

LONDON, Dec. 8.

Arsenal Football Club today beat A. I. K Sweden in the soccer match at Arsenal Stadium by eight goals to zero, having led by seven to zero at half-time.

All India Badminton Attracts Cream Of Indian Players

FIVE MATCHES DECIDED ON OPENING DAY

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8 (PTI)—The 14th All India Badminton Championships commenced here this evening when five matches in the early rounds were decided on the Calcutta University Institute covered courts.

Badminton talents from all over India are participating in the championships tournament which is being held here after ten years. Players from U.P., C.P., Delh East Punjab and Maharashtra have already arrived and the Bombay contingent is expected to reach Calcutta tomorrow morning. The following are the results of the five matches played today:—

MEN'S SINGLES:—Bhola Banerjee (Bengal) beat G.K. Sharma (Rajputana), 15-7, 15-1; B.M. Ahuja (Bihar) beat Joshi (Bihar) 15-9, 15-1.

MEN'S DOUBLES—Gopal Bose and Blai Dutt (Bengal) beat B. Swaroop (Bihar) and Moni Chatterpee (Bengal) 5-15; 15-10, 15-5, Bishnu Bannerjee and Keshav Datt (Bengal) beat K. G.K. Sharma and K.K. Khanna (Rajputana) 15-2, 15-8.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY

Cooperage:

3-45 p.m. B. B. and C. I. 'B' vs. B.E.S.T. (First Division).

4-45 p.m. St Xavier's 'A' vs 'Times' 'A' (Senior Division).

Parsi Cyclist Ground:

3 p.m. Ordnance S. C. vs. B. S. N. S. C. (III Division).

4 p.m. Avery Club vs. Chartered Bank (III Division).

TABLE TENNIS

Mysore Association, King's Circle:

6 p.m. Junior Doubles Semi-finals, followed by Women's Singles Semi-finals, Men's Singles (Quarter-finals) followed by Men's Doubles (Quarter-final).

The Bombay Chronicle

A SMUTS PRONOUNCEMENT

Speaking at Flushing Meadow on the U. N. decision about South-West Africa, the Reverend Michael Scott said that "the final result was a triumph for the United Nations and its principles". "The issues at stake", added Mr. Scott, "are of vital importance to the African peoples and it is very heartening that the principles involved have been so strongly upheld by the United Nations". The fact that the United Nations has vindicated itself by standing up to defiant South Africa is being realised by South African Whites too. General Smuts, who does not lack sensitiveness to international trends and is gifted with commonsense too, has just spoken of "gathering international storm clouds" and declared that they foreboded ill for the Union of South Africa, which, he said, "had offended world opinion". His appreciation of the position is correct and he is quite right in affirming that the Union "had offended world opinion". But there is an obvious tactical reservation in this confession by General Smuts. He was making a party speech and trying to isolate Dr. Malan and his party as the offender.

This is a clever move. By holding Malan up as the man, who has earned the disapproval of the world for South Africa he was scoring off Malan's party in favour of his own. Secondly, he was trying to divert international attention from principles to Dr. Malan. It is true that Dr. Malan has been behaving "offensively". But—and that is the main point—except in so far as he has used plain, irritating and defiant language, his offence is fully shared by other South African Whites including Gen. Smuts himself. Malan may have indulged in "constant personal attacks" and "threatened censorship of press messages" thereby increasing overseas suspicions of Nationalists but General Smuts and his Party are not less suspect in the eyes of the world. For, the principles, which the United Nations has vindicated in its recent resolutions are principles, which General Smuts too opposes and defies. On the issues relating to racial discrimination, the democratic rights of the coloured peoples and the rights of the natives of South-West Africa to their territory, General Smuts stands practically four-square with Dr. Malan. And the United Nations has, on these issues, which constitute the principles of the problem, declared against the White South Africa of both Dr. Malan and General Smuts. The "gathering international storm clouds" are the creation of both and these clouds will burst if both Malan and Smuts continue to ignore principles.

Selective Protection

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, speaking on the Bill introduced by the Commerce Minister the other day to amend the Indian Tariff Act to provide for a protective duty on aluminium, is reported to have observed that "the Tariff Board today seemed to be under the impression that, right or wrong, they should grant protection; that policy should be revised immediately". It is not necessary to agree with every decision or recommendation of the Tariff Board, but it is essential that certain facts should be known to the public. The question is, no doubt, tied up with the broad fiscal policy which should be followed and which is now the subject of consideration by the Fiscal Commission. If, for instance, it is held that protection whether by tariff duties or subsidies is not a desirable method of protecting or safeguarding an industry and that Indian industries should be allowed to face foreign competition, then it is another matter. But the present Tariff Board, like its predecessor, functions under the terms and conditions laid down by Government in 1945 and recommends protection if and when it comes to the conclusion that a particular industry satisfies the criteria laid down by Government.

It is of interest to mention that, since 1945, when the Tariff Board was re-established, protection in respect of at least six industries has been withdrawn, namely, cotton textile, steel, paper, magnesium chloride, silver thread and wire, and phosphates and phosphoric acid. Besides, the claims of nearly 14 industries for protection were rejected by both the interim Tariff Board and the present Tariff Board, which included some chemical industries as well as textile accessories, hydraulic brake fluid, slate and slate pencils, and expanded metal. It is also necessary to mention that, in respect of nearly 20 or 21 industries, all that the Tariff Board recommended was the conversion of the existing revenue duty into a protective duty which involved no additional burden on the consumer, while giving some kind of psychological reassurance to the industry concerned that Government considered the industry one that needed some kind of assistance. It will, therefore, be seen that Mr. Sidhwa's complaint was not in consonance with facts. Where, as in the case of protection to an indigenous industry, the claim of the industry for assistance is frequently at variance with the interests of the consumers to get an article cheap, divergent and even conflicting interests have to be balanced. It is, of course, a matter of opinion whether we desire to industrialise our country and, if so, whether protection or assistance to industries which establish their claim for such assistance before an impartial tribunal should be given such assistance. It is also arguable that in many industries the country would have had to pay much more if we had been dependent on foreign imports during the war or also the post-war period instead of developing our own industries. Steel, as the Commerce Minister mentioned during the debate, is a conspicuous example of the success of protectionist policy in this country. It is necessary, no doubt, that such protection should be selective both in respect of the industries and in regard to the nature, quantum and period for which it is given. Mr. Sidhwa observed, "while industries have to be protected, consumer interests have also to be safeguarded". This is the crux of the problem and these divergent interests have to be balanced in any scheme of "discriminating" or **selective protection.**

Thought For The Day

Pleasant words are as a honeycomb sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

—OLD TESTAMENT.

Tete-à-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

HONGKONG, December 7: The official seal of the Chinese President's office was today flown here from Chengtu and transferred to a plane for the Nationalist island base of Taiwan. This move was taken locally to indicate that the Nationalist Government itself would soon evacuate Chengtu now threatened by Communists.

San Francisco: The Chinese Acting President, General Li Tsung-Jen, arrived here last night with a declaration that his people would never bow to the "Communist insurrection"—P.T.I.-Reuter.

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In his broadcast to the Defence Services, the Prime Minister has again reminded the people of India how.. "Mahatma Gandhi burst upon the consciousness of India and moved her people to great deads by the magic of his personality and his message."

And now.....

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In answer to a Constituent Assembly question, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel declared: "There is no question of the (R.S.) Sangh agreeing to stop giving military training; no such training can be given by non-official organisations except with the permission of the Government."

We await interpretation of the above by Guruji, Dr. Khare etc. etc.

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The Provincial Executive of the Socialist Party, says a Lucknow report has decided to raise a volunteer corps to be known as "Sinchai Sena" (Irrigation Army) to dig wells, make river "bunds", clean congested water channels and build rain water ponds for irrigation purposes.

They are growing constructive, aren't they? Good.

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A communique from Geneva announces that "the United Nations' Commission for India and Pakistan has completed its third interim report to the Security Council."

Which too, we are sure, will go down in the history of Kashmir as the U. N. Commission's third wonderful report.

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To protest against certain orders served on a dozen striking nurses of the Calcutta Medical College, they went, says a report, to the Principal's room the other day and, following an exchange of hot words, attacked him and broke his telephone.

Poor mere Principal.

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Addressing a Bombay audience on the achievements of U.N., Mr. B. Leitgeber, Director, United Nations' Information Centre in New Delhi, said that the Declaration of Human Rights was unique in the history of the world that its power for good was incalculable and that it encircled the whole globe.

What, Africa too?

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At Flushing Meadow, Mr. B. N. Rau told the U. N. General Assembly that India expressed the "confident hope" that Indonesia would be admitted before long to membership of the United Nations.

The VETO permitting.

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In the U.N. Special Political Committee the United States, says a Lake Success report, strongly opposed establishment of a separate international administration for Jerusalem.

The United States must, we have no doubt, strongly honour all its Israelite obligations to the very end—elsewhere.

SCOUTING AND SOCIAL SERVICES

By Dr. K. N. Kini

MAN is a gregarious being and hence lives in society. From nearly the first month of the life of the child, he is uneasy, if left alone. He gets satisfaction, if he is brought into physical contact with another person not necessarily the mother. The close presence of another person, is adequate to give him satisfaction.

Though as the child grows, he exhibits a tendency to wander away from others, still he wishes to live with others and does not like to be alone all the time. He is ready to do service to others, however, small and he also desires to get service from others. This great urge in the child to do a good turn to others should be fostered from his very early age, so that the urge is strengthened for the good of the society. Society will be strong and beneficial to its members to the extent that each member shows solicitude for the welfare of the other members and the society shows solicitude for the welfare of the individual constituting it. Scouting is pre-eminently an organization for fostering this attitude of service in human beings.

THE MOTTO

Service is the motto of scouts. Scouts can do social service in a number of ways, some small and some big. In our country, in towns as well as villages, people make their surroundings dirty. Our streets are often used as latrines and urinals. On account of the ignorance of the rules of sanitation and hygiene and also from a lack of a sense of decorum, the people have cultivated this evil habit. Whenever the ignorant people commit this nuisance, the scouts should advise them not to do so.

People can be seen standing in the middle of the road, sometimes with cycles in hand, and talking among themselves, much to the detriment of easy traffic. Scouts can courteously ask such people to walk on the footpath and carry on their conversation as they move on and not to block the road.

Spitting everywhere, that is, on the roads and foot-paths on the Railway platforms, in the carriages of the trains, nay wherever they stay, is a common affair in our country. This habit should be stopped as has been done in the progressive countries of the West by constant education of the people. In various other ways too scouts can bring about a better environment.

LITERACY DRIVE

Adult education offers a vast field for social service in our country, where only five to fifteen per cent of the people can read and write. Scouts could organise Adult Education classes in the evenings or at nights and help in the removal of illiteracy. They can read newspapers to the illiterate and keep them informed of the events going on in the world and also stimulate a desire in them to acquire literacy. A number of scouts have been already taking part in the Adult Education Movement. More scouts should interest themselves in this most important national service.

CAMPS

Rural up-lift work is another big field for service. Some scout troops have been of late holding their camps in villages. They clean the streets, construct soak-pits, give medicines for minor ailments, plant trees, teach illiterates to write their names, read Mahabharat and Ramayana and journals to the rural folk and in various other ways stimulate the interest of the latter in education hygiene and industrial and agricultural advancement. The villages have been appreciating all this work on the part of the scouts and have been asking them to hold camps in their villages more often. I wish that every scout troop would undertake rural up-lift as an important item in its programme and do this national service for the betterment of our mother land.

BREAKING BARRIERS

Scouts do not care for caste or creed They live like brothers and act like brothers to whatever caste or religion they may belong. They have no communalism. Scouts should visit the quarters of the Harijans and see how they can help them in removing their disabilities. The Rovers specially should give prominence to this aspect of service.

Most of our women are under the purdha. This is a great disability which hampers the all round growth of one half of our population. Scouts rovers and girl guides could talk specially to the older women and explain to them the disadvantages of the purdha and thus help in its removal. They could also explain to the women the advantages of educating girls and fostering learning among women.

AT JATRAS

Volunteers organisaztion to offer help to the needy people during Melas and Jatras are a great need. Some scout troops have been offering their services on these occasions and the public have been appreciating their services. This activity of the scouts should be extended and scout troops should consider it as their duty to be of service on these occasions by turns.

We are an independent nation now, and on the solidarity of our nation lies our safety. This solidarity can be brought about by making the lives of its members cheerful and happy by social service rendered by its component members to one another.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Loving Hands

When the Governor-General of India recently admitted that, if circumstances had not conspired otherwise, he would have preferred to be a nurse and tend the sick and the ailing, he was only testifying to the nobility of that calling. Evidently nurses in Calcutta do not share that enthusiasm. They have placed material considerations before the yearnings of the heart; to them, an eight-hour day is more important than the feeling that they are members of a sisterhood which brings solace to an ailing world. Their tacit avowal that they prefer to spend as many hours as possible away from the sick bed must make the spirit of the Lady with the Lamp writhe in agony; and if she were to compare the conditions of today with those of the camp hospital at Balaclava, she would probably use strong language—and the angel could be nasty when she was in a temper. Even these failings could be passed over, as the ravages of the relentless march of time. The latest report from Calcutta says that the striking sisters went to the Principal's room, and following an exchange of hot words, attacked him and broke his telephone. It was good that the nurses lost their temper with the Principal and not with a patient. There probably are not many cases in hospitals that can survive the onslaught from hands which not only beat a man but also broke a telephone.

Candid Confession

For once, the Food and Agricultural Organisation has been candid in the appraisal of its own work. "No Delegation can feel we held much hope to them," the Director General said at the closing session, "we expressed our sympathy, but not much else." One hopes that the other international organisations associated with the U.N are equally candid. What has the Security Council done to promote security in the world? It has become a debating society where one set of delegates always proposes one thing which the other set always opposes. The only justification for the existence of the Security Council might be that the heat engendered in the wordy duels lessens the chances of war, which is often the outlet for the pent-up emotions of national leaders unable to find expression otherwise. Recently, the Pakistan Delegate at the U.N. waxed eloquent on the Kashmir issue, going back a hundred years in its history to pick out arguments to sustain an untenable claim. The hysterics of that delegate can only be explained by the absence of any sane argument in Pakistan's armoury. It is debates like these which bring down the United Nations in the eyes of the world. In many cases, especially in Committee meetings, speeches serve no useful purpose, for the delegates are briefed even before the session starts to vote not according to the merits of the issues before them, but on extraneous considerations. Why then waste breath, and cause misunderstandings when no purpose is going to be served by speeches however eloquent?

Film Shorts

Vehement protests have been made on behalf of the Indian film industry against the Government of India's new restrictions on the length of features and trailers to 11,000 and 400 ft. respectively. We have found that many of the Indian films are too long, unnecessarily padded with too many diversions; we feel that they will improve with drastic pruning. It is claimed that the average Indian likes long-winded tales and in the old days dramas lasted till the early hour of the dawn. But those days are history now. We would like to have our entertainment not lasting for more than two hours. We believe that even 11,000 ft. for a feature film is too much. It should not be more than 8,000 ft. With this drastic cut in length the Indian films will improve in story and entertainment value. No doubt this will put to the test the abilities of the Indian film directors and scenario writers. The rest of the programme can be filled with two or three shorts and a news reel of 1000 ft. each. In the past marathon feature films left no time for shorts. The Government of India has broken the vicious circle by producing shorts and news reels and making it compulsory for theatres to exhibit them. The industry has accepted it with a bad grace, for shorts have come to stay. India needs today many more shorts on subject like education, social services, science, travel, industry and arts. As the film industry had no inclination to produce these the Government was obliged to do the job themselves. If competent producers take up these subjects no doubt the Government will give them every opportunity to produce them. Today the Government holds the monopoly of distributing shorts. There is a complaint that the Government is not paying enough to private parties to produce shorts. We hope that this will be remedied and better rate of payment will be made for shorts which are really good.

New Ties

It is a paradox that as India is snapping one by one the old bonds that tied her to Britain, new voluntary ties are being forged to bring the two countries nearer to each other. Indians are taking more interest in the English language, literature and culture. With the absence of any mercenary motive we can now appreciate and enjoy the beauty of the English language and literature. The House of Commons has built up another link to India by passing unanimously the India (Consequential Provisions) Bill which protects the rights of Indians living in Britain and the Colonies when India becomes a Republic on January 26, 1950. The Bill confirms the present full rights of British subjects to Indian residents in Britain and the colonies. They are free to enter or leave these territories and have a Parliamentary and local votes. They can be members of Parliament and of local councils. They can practise professions and trades just like any other British subject. In return the Indian Republic remains within the Commonwealth and accepts the king "as the symbol of the free association of its independent member nations and as such the head of the Commonwealth." The absence of any ill-feeling between the one-time ruler and the ruled is a triumph for the principles of Gandhiji.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Warriors Of Peace

When United Nations Organization is struggling and labouring on the political field to rid the world finally of the fear and the possibility of armed warfare, the warriors of self-sacrifice and peace, the Pacifists, as we know them, from all over the world are meeting together in India at Santiniketan, for the first time to put their heads together to think how they can collectively contribute to the promotion of world peace. In the formal constitutional language they cannot be termed 'representatives' of the people of their respective countries. In reality, however, the dumb millions of the masses will silently recognise them as their true representatives.

There can be very little doubt, therefore, that a foundation can be laid at this meeting from which will spring a moral — let us avoid saying 'spiritual' — force which will spread like the rays of the rising sun throughout the nooks and corners of the world and drive away the darkness therefrom. The forces of peace that will be generated from the closer contact of so many self-sacrificing souls will gain in intensity and strength when these persons go back to their respective destinations and renew their activities with a new spirit and new inspiration and with the assured co-operation of similar activities of their brothers in other corners of the world.

There is a great significance and a greater urgency of the meeting of these warriors of peace. Their supreme atom bomb would be non-violence. Their supreme objective would be the pursuit of truth and justice all round. Their activities will consist of self-sacrifice and service of mankind. The first task before them would be to destroy the deep rooted prejudice among the larger section of mankind that truth and non-violence are beyond the capacity of the worldly people to follow. With these equipments they will continuously be engaged in waging a non-violent war against violence, untruth, injustice, inequality, exploitation hypocrisy and diplomacy. They will pursue their goal even though such pursuit will endanger their very lives, remaining indifferent as to the result. They will pursue the purest means and will rest assured that the new world order that will astonish the world will emerge.

Their only motto would be in the words of Gandhiji: "The way to peace lay only and truly through the practice of organized non-violence even upto death. No one has a right to say that what could not be achieved during the struggle for independence is unachievable at all times. On the contrary, to-day there is a real opportunity to demonstrate the supremacy of 'ahimsa'".

Would it be too much to expect that a world-wide programme for organizing a collective non-violent force would be undertaken by this meeting?

—N. B. PARULEKAR

Banking And Insurance Ordinance

The statement made by the Labour Minister of the Government of India in the Dominion Parliament that the Banking and Insurance Companies Ordinance was promulgated on the representations of the employees, employers and the Provincial Governments, does not seem to be based on facts.

On the part of Bank Employees, they, through their respective Trade Unions all over India, had voiced their protest against the Ordinance. The Bombay Bank Employees were to observe June 11th as a protest day against the promulgation of the Ordinance.

Even the U. P. Labour Minister in a statement declared the Ordinance as an arbitrary and undemocratic one.

The Interim Award given by the All India Industrial Tribunal (Bank Disputes) for Bombay is a fraud on bombay Bank Employees.

It is a well known fact that the lot of middle class is going from bad to worse and even the emoluments recommended under the Central Pay Commission do not meet their immediate needs. The Bank Employees in Bombay receive at present much lesser emoluments. For example a Central Government clerk at the start of his career receives about Rs. 125/- per month., while a Bank Clerk gets only Rs. 80/- per month! Still the All India Industrial Tribunal (Bank Disputes) awards no interim relief!!

This only frustrates the expectations of Bank employees to better their service conditions through the arbitration machinery.

If the Ordinance was brought out, it was only on the representations of Banks.

—N. R. BAGWODIN
Gen. Secretary, Federation of Bank Employees

Ram Navami

On going through the list of public holidays declared by the Bombay Government for the next year, I was surprised to find that Ram-naumi (Shri Rama's birthday) is not declared a holiday.

While the Government of India have appropriately enough declared this a public holiday, the Bombay Government should not have failed to do likewise, because it was for the establishment of Ram Rajya in our country that Mahatma Gandhi lived and died. And we should not be so ungrateful as to forget this most memorable birthday of Shri Rama, who ruled the country in the most ideal way.

I hope the Bombay Government would revise the list and declare this day a public holiday next year.

—M. P. MEHTA

Undue Haste

It is understood that the Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is to perform the opening ceremony of the building of the National Chemical Laboratories under construction, at Poona on 3rd January, 1950. This building is only about two thirds complete and the laboratory fitting and other equipment have not been fully installed so that research work can be started on appreciable scale. Even the approach roads have not been built and lot of construction material is lying in the compound which will have to be removed for performing the opening ceremony, and a large part of these materials will have to be brought back again near the building after the ceremony is over.

In spite of the strong reported opposition of the Director of the Laboratories, the Architects, the contractors and even of many Scientists of Poona, the Secretary of the Scientific and Industrial Research Department has thought it proper to open these incomplete laboratories which will involve an expenditure of several thousands of rupees which will have to be paid from government funds. Not only money but manpower and petrol will be wasted in removing the materials and again bringing them back on the site. Besides the opening ceremony performed at this stage will unnecessarily enhance the time of completion of the building and fitting up of the laboratories. Is the opening ceremony prematurely planned to improve the morale of the scientists who are going to gather in Poona for the Annual Session of the Indian Science Congress, during the first week of January 1950 or to impress the foreign Scientists who are going to attend the Indian Science Congress Session? The foreign Scientists will think that we are more interested in making opening ceremonies of incomplete buildings and laboratories than cultivating genuine taste for scientific research.

—V. L. TRIVEDI

U. N. SUPERVISION OF ALL ATOMIC PLANTS

Scientific Workers' Appeal To West And Russia

LONDON, Dec. 7, (PTI-Reuter): The British Association of Scientific Workers today appealed for permanent United Nations supervision of atomic plants and dismantling of all stocks of atom bombs.

It said these two suggestions should form the "basis for a settlement" of differences about atomic control between Russia and the Western Nations.

We believe if United Nations inspectors were allowed equal access to both Soviet and American atomic establishments (and those of all other nations) this would constitute a considerable step towards the institution of a water-tight control scheme", it added.

Most of the difficulty lies in the fact that relations between the Soviet Union and its supporters and the United States and its supporters have grown steadily worse. Discussions have taken place in an atmosphere of recrimination. It is the duty of all to strive towards improving these relationships."

The Association said "the alternatives are either to engage, with America in an atomic arms race with the Soviet Union—which would be ruinous in cost, and would end in a war in which we would occupy a position too terrible to contemplate: **Or to work ceaselessly for the maintenance of peace**—and for a settlement of the question of international control of atomic energy and the prohibition of atomic weapons".

TRAINING OF ADULTS

Geneva Conference To Devise Ways

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (PTI): A Preparatory Technical Tripartite Conference on vocational training of adults will be held at Geneva from January 23 to February 3 1950 to consider draft international regulations embodying principles and methods for the successful operation of training schemes for adult workers including the disabled, says a Labour Ministry communique.

Organisations of employers and workers desirous of sending delegates are, the communique adds, to forward the names and complete particulars of their representatives to the Secretary to the Government of India Ministry of Labour not later than Dec 18, 1949.

Pacifist Meeting Ends With An Open Air Session

SANTINIKETAN, December 8 (P.T.I.).

The last session of the Pacifist Meeting was held at "Amrakunja" this afternoon. It was thrown open to the inmates of Santiniketan who attended in large numbers.

Mr. G. Ramchandran, Chairman of this session, explained that this was not so much an open session as an open air session, to which the staff and students of Santiniketan were invited. "This is because," Mr. Ramachandran thought, "they have as much or perhaps greater right than some of the delegates to have access to these deliberations."

He said about four decades ago the great poet had sown the first seeds of a true human outlook and emphasized the urgent need for peace when no other man in the world had any solution to offer for the many evils that threatened the world with violence and suffering. Santiniketan, therefore had the right to be the first meeting place of this conference which was more truly international than some other similar organisations.

Five speakers then spoke for ten minutes each at the invitation of Mr. Ramachandran.

Madame Trocme (France) spoke on 'How I imagined India and how I find it'; Prof. Tseng (China) spoke on the 'Present opportunity'; Prof. Jabavu's (South Africa) subject was 'India, Africa and Peace'; Mr. Ewald (Finland) spoke on 'Education and Peace' and Mr. Ray Newton (America) on 'America and India in the making of peace'.

On behalf of the delegates Mr. Newton expresed thanks to Santiniketan.

The chairman summed up the meaning of the conference and expressed hope regarding its influence all over the world.

The delegates will leave Santiniketan tomorrow, in several groups.

HONOUR TO THE LATE C. F. ANDREWS

New Building Opened

There was an impressive ceremony on Wednesday evening when the Deenabandhu Bhavan was opened at Sundown in memory of Rev. Charles Freer Andrews who made Santiniketan his home during so many years of a life devoted to the cause of God and humanity.

Kshiti Mohan Sen chanted the appropriate Sanskrit mantras and a reading from the new testament was given by Mr. Henri Roser, a French Protestant Minister.

After prayers by Mr. S. K. George and a short address by Mr. Rathindra Nath Tagore, Miss Agatha Harrison spoke movingly of C. F. Andrews and his work, the continuation of which, it was hoped, would be furthered by the new building. She declared the new building open. Many joined in the singing off "When I survey the Wonderous Cross", a hymn which Gandhiji often asked "Charlie" Andrews to sing to him.

At a special evening session it was announced that Mr. Herald Abetz, President of the German Peace Society, the strongest Pacifist organisation in Western Germany, had sent greetings to the conference.

Prof. Rydbeck (Sweden) then introduced the subject of science and peace.

Prof. Tseng (China) said that the trouble with scientists is that they call us to externalise truth. He spoke of the inadequacy of scientific training in the preception of moral truth which could only be realised by looking within ourselves. Scientists were dangerous because they considered the world as so much material. In the sphere or moral and spiritual understanding we are part of what we study. We were faced by a problem which only divine light could illumine for us.

EINSTEIN'S LETTER

Mr. A. J. Muste (U.S.A.) read a letter from Prof. Einstein recently received, in which Prof. Einstein had given his comments on an article relating to atomic warfare. Prof. Einstein said that he did not expect very much from the concerted efforts of scientists, because the problem was not a technical but a political one. Mr. A. J. Muste felt that scientists too often behaved like lay boys unaware of the enormous responsibility that rested with them.

A strong sense of the urgency of the problems was given by Dr. Kora (Japan) who at the close of the session described with vivid realism the agony of Hiroshima. The chairman Miss P. S. Tseng (China) expressed the deep sense of contrition which had been evoked by this contribution and ended the session by asking for a short silence when delegates could pray for a reformation of human behaviour.

Stop Press

DECISION POSTPONED

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter): A decision whether India should be invited to join in the Trusteeship Council debate to draft an agreement giving Italy resumed administration of Italian Somaliland was today postponed until tomorrow.

Decision was also postponed on whether to invite Columbia, Egypt and Ethiopia to take part.

REMANDED AGAIN

LONDON, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Syed Fazal Shah, 48-year-old President of the London Muslim League Azad Kashmir Society, was again remanded on bail at Bow Street Magistrate's court on a charge of insulting behaviour at a demonstration outside India House on November 12 when Pandit Nehru was lunching there. His fifteen-year-old son Wasif Husain Shah, who was charged with him with insulting behaviour likely to cause a breach of the peace, was discharged.

"ARCHITECT OF INDIA'S UNITY"

Vellodi's Tribute To Sardar Patel

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Dec. 8 (PTI): Mr. M. K. Vellodi, Chief Minister of Hyderabad, said here today that with the co-operation of all sections of the people of Hyderabad and with the guidance of those in authority in the Ministry of States, "and in particular of that grand old statesman, Sardar Patel, the architect of India's unity", he hoped he would be enabled to render a satisfactory account of his work as the administrative head of Hyderabad.

Mr. Vellodi, who was inaugurating the annual general meeting of the Hyderabad centre of the Institution of Engineers today expressed pleasure at the fact that one of the first official functions with which he was associated in Hyderabad was this meeting of engineers, whose aims and objects were above controversy.

LAST CHANCE OF CO-OPERATION

Dutch Minister On R. T. C. Results

THE HAGUE, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter)—The Dutch Minister for Overseas Territories, M. Johannes Van Maarseveen, told the Lower House today that it was "wiser to come to terms with nationalism in south-East Asia than to drive nationalism into the arms of Communism.

Speaking during the continued debate on the Bill for the Transfer of Sovereignty to Indonesia, M. Van Maarseveen said that "only Russia would applaud" if the results of the Round Table Conference on Indonesia were rejected.

These results, he said, "are our last chance of co-operation and friendship with Indonesia and the outside world."

MAJORITY VIEW

The Dutch people had believed that 'only a small minority in Indonesia were against us and the vast majority were waiting for us", the Minister said.

The Dutch people did not have much understanding of nationalism, he added.

"Now, however, there are large sections of the Dutch population who understand the situation and know that we can no longer dominate Indonesia.

War Minister W. F. Schokking said the Surabaya naval base had been financed with Netherlands-Indonesian money. Therefore, "whether one regretted it or not" it had to be transferred to the United States of Indonesia. The atmosphere prevailing at present in the military field "gives grounds for hope of good co-operation."

The meeting then adjourned to enable members of the Second Chamber to consult further before replying.

Aggressive Nurse Bailed

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8 (PTI)—The student nurse, who was arrested yesterday in connection with the incident in the Medical College, on a charge of "roughly handling the Principal of the College", was produced before the Chief Presidency Magistrate today and released on bail.

Auto Workshop At Dapori

BOMBAY, Thursday: The Government of Bombay, UPI. learns, has decided to construct a central workshop for automobiles at Dapori, near Poona, which will be the biggest automobile workshop in India. It will have a floor area of over 100,000 square feet and will be ready by June 1950.

Big Fire In Hiroshima: Heavy Damage

TOKYO, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter): Fire today caused heavy damage in the business and amusement centre in Hiroshima—the atom bomb town.

The fire broke out in a restaurant, on the second floor of a theatre in the Hachobori District.

It spread rapidly and more than a dozen wooden buildings were destroyed before the flames were brought under control. Damage was estimated at 30,000,000 yen.

Police blamed defective electric wiring.

Licence Applications

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8. (UPI): The last date for the receipt of applications for import licences, which were invited in the Commerce Ministry's public notice on November 28 has been extended from December 10 to 15, says a press note issued by the Chief Controller of Imports.

The note adds that this extension is final.

NEWS BRIEFS

REJECTED

The District and Sessions Judge, Kanpur, has rejected the revision petition filed on behalf of Mr. R. R. Chari, former Deputy Regional Iron and Steel Controller, Government of India, against the decision of the Special Magistrate.

EMPLOYED

Nearly 18,500 persons were able to secure jobs through the various employment exchanges in West Bengal during the period from January 1949 to December 1.

TRIBUNAL

The All-India Industrial Tribunal (Bank Disputes) will commence its session in the High Court buildings, Lucknow at 11 a.m. from Tuesday, December 20, 1949 to hear victimisation cases.

PLAGUE

Two cases of plague occurred in the city of Hyderabad during the week ending December 3. Of these one died. Five cases occurred in frontier villages during the same week.

SYMPOSIUM

Field workers and specialists in mother and child health work from all over India will attend a four-day symposium to open on December 30 at the South-East Asia Regional Office of the World Health Organisation, Delhi.

CLIVE RATTIGAN DEAD

Newspaper Connections With India

LONDON: Clive Burgess Rattigan, formerly editor of the "Pioneer", who died in London on December 3 aged 73, came of a family connected with India for over 200 years. His father, Sir William Rattigan, M.P., was Chief Justice of the Punjab and co-founder of the newspaper later edited by his son, and also of the "Civil and Military Gazette", Lahore.

Mr. Rattigan was born in India and educated at Clifton. He spent over 50 years in journalism. After his retirement from the "Pioneer" he served for some time as the London editor and manager of "The Statesman". From 1940 until last July he worked in the Central Office of Information, London. During the war he also edited two vernacular newspapers for Indian troops.

In recent years he was best known in India for his sports articles under the by-line R.C.H. Carter.

INSECT-PROOF PACKING MATERIAL

LONDON: A new packaging material that is insect-proof—because it is full of holes—has been developed by scientists of Britain's Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

It consists of several layers of cellulose wadding impregnated with D.D.T. Any insect which manages to get through the first layer finds itself faced with a labyrinth of tunnels and folds along which it threads its way—and in so doing picks up enough D.D.T. to kill itself.

Another advantage of this cellulose wadding is that it does not have to be sealed round the package. As long as there is a fairly large overlap the insect dies long before it gets through, even if it goes straight between the folds of the overlap. This means that wrapping can be done easily, quickly and efficiently by even unskilled labour.

DROWNING TRAGEDY AVERTED

KARWAR, Dec. 8: A drowning tragedy was averted on Monday, in the Karwar seas, by the smart and gallant efforts of twenty-five-year-old Bobro Purshu, one of the crew of the local lighters (country boat) of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company, when the five-lear-old daughter of Mr. M. K. Jadhav, Collector of Karwar, while descending the landing ladder of the T.S.S. 'Sabarmati' of the B.S.N. Co. slipped and plunged into the water below.

Bobro, in a trice, dived into the sea and rescued the girl who came unscathed from the accident. The Collector and his wife rewarded the rescuer on the spot.

The occasion was a visit arranged by the B.S.N. Co. to their new "luxury liner", T.S.S. 'Sabarmati', now plying on this coast between Bombay and Mangalore.

DAMODAR PROJECT

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drainage crossings. A large number of these have been designed and the construction work is in progress.

The alignment work of the Bhakra main line has been completed and the excavation is in progress. Total quantity of earthwork done up-to-date is 8 crores cft.

SLOW-DOWN

About 90% of the above work has been executed after the partition and this project is in an advanced stage of construction, but unfortunately due to lack of funds the work must perforce be slowed down. Since the position regarding the availability of the funds is not yet clear, it is not possible to name the time when the first increased yield of foodgrains with the improved irrigation is likely to come, but if funds were available, the entire work could be completed by 1955-56 and the first instalment of perennial irrigation started in the year 1954.

The Bhakra Dam Scheme is in a position to solve the long staple cotton problem of India and with the large area to be irrigated and the potentiality for the production of foodgrains, it could substantially improve the food situation.

Labour Minister Mr. Jagjivan Ram laying the foundation stone of the Hostel named after him at Bhudpuri, a place four miles from Kanpur. The hostel is being built for the benefit of Harijan students.

New Motor Fuel Passes Test

LANCASHIRE FIRM'S INVENTION

STOCKPORT (Lancashire), Dec. 8 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Baxtrol, a new motor fuel invented by a British firm here has passed its first road test as a "reasonable substitute for petrol" but is unlikely to add much to the rationed mileage of Britain's 2,000,000 motorists.

The cost of baxtrol is six shillings and six pence a gallon against two shillings and three pence a gallon for petrol, but even at that price it is in danger of being controlled.

The Board of Trade have warned that the two ingredients of the new fuel, methanon and acetone, are needed in industry, and that production is limited.

In the test, baxtrol was used in the prescribed ratio of three parts to one of petrol.

Results showed that engines were sluggish in acceleration but cruised comfortably at 30 miles an hour as on ordinary fuel.

British motorists are allowed petrol for 90 miles a month for private use.

Mysore Ministers Trim Their Pay

BANGALORE, Dec. 8 (PTI): The Ministers of the Mysore Government have agreed on a voluntary cut of 10 per cent in their salary. This is in line with the policy of the Government of India to reduce expenses. The Ministers now draw a monthly salary of Rs. 800 each.

Orissa Cuts

CUTTACK, Dec. 8. (PTI): The Government of Orissa has decided upon a cut of fifteen per cent in the salary and allowance of the Premier and the five Ministers.

BILL TO OVERHAUL MINES ACT

48-Hour Week For All

Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Minister of Labour, introduced in Parliament today a bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to the regulation of labour and safety in mines.

The bill seeks to overhaul the existing Indian Mines Act of 1923, the working of which had revealed a number of "defects and deficiencies hampering effective administration".

It is proposed, among other things, to reduce working hours for all workers, both surface and underground, to 48 per week.

BIHAR AGAINST ALL REACTION

Aney's Firm Attitude

PATNA, Dec. 8 (PTI): Mr. M. S. Aney, Governor of Bihar, told a joint session of the Bihar Legislature today: "My Government will be perfectly justified in using all its strength to put down the reactionary forces that aim at disturbance of peace and creation of discontent. The Government's first and foremost duty is, and will always remain, to preserve law and order; and I shall do it fearlessly whenever it may become necessary".

He added that with a popular Government, which can be replaced by a vote of no-confidence, or which can be entirely defeated at the polls in general elections, there is neither reason nor rhyme for any sensible person to resort to obstructive tactics.

TOKYO, December 6, (PTI-Reuter): Staple Food production in Japan this year reached its highest level since the occupation.

Estimated crops are: Rice 9,800,000 metric tons, wheat 2,400,000 metric tons, barley—A record harvest.

Sofia Trial: Three Plead Guilty

SOFIA, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter): Three defendants in the Sofia treason trial today pleaded guilty to charges denied yesterday by Traicho Kostov, former Bulgarian Deputy Premier.

They denounced themselves and Kostov as British agents when the examination of the defendants—11 Bulgarian Communist leaders—continued today, second day of the trial.

One of the three alleged that Kostov forced him to submit to anti-Soviet plans by holding over his head documents proving he had been an informer in 1943.

U. S. AID TO ASIA: LEGISLATION SOON

KARACHI, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. George McGhee, United States Assistant Secretary of state for Middle East and African Affairs, arrived today for a three-day visit to Pakistan.

He hoped legislation to give aid to the under-developed areas in the Middle and South East Asia would come before Congress in the session beginning next month.

INTER-UNVERSITY WRESTLING

East Punjab Contingent Selected

AMRITSAR, Dec. 7 (PTI).—The following have been selected to represent the East Punjab University in the Inter-University Wrestling contest to be held in Bangalore from December 15 to 18.

FLY WEIGHT: Siri Niwas, Ranbir College, Sangrur.

BANTAM WEIGHT: Tilak Raj and Curmail Singh, D. A. V. College, Jullundur.

FEATHER WEIGHT: Dewan Singh, Khalsa College, Amritsar and Krishan Dutt, Government College, Ludhiana.

LIGHT WEIGHT: Ram Labhaya, Hindu Sabha College, Amritsar and Prithvi Raj, D. A. V. College, Ambala.

WELTER WEIGHT: Dedar Singh, Jat College, Rohtak and Karnail Singh, Khalsa College, Amritsar.

Dewan Singh and Tilak Raj have been appointed Captain and Secretary respectively.

Professor Thakar Singh of the Government College, Ludhiana, will accompany the team as manager.

The team is leaving for Bangalore by train on December 9.

East Punjab University Tennis Championships

AMBALLA, Dec. 7 (PTI)—The Government College, Ludhiana beat the Medical College Amritsar by five matches to two in the final of the East Punjab University Tennis Tournament at Ludhiana today.

In all nine colleges had entered the tournaments. This is the first University Tennis Tournament to be held after the partition of the Punjab.

Patiala To Meet Services Eleven

PATIALA, Dec. 8 (PTI).

The Southern Punjab team to meet the Services Eleven on December 11 here in the first round of Ranji Trophy (North Zone) was announced here as follows:

Maharaja of Patiala (Captain), Mr. M. R Bhide, Surjit Singh Majithia, Raja of Nalagarh, Daljinder Singh, Prithvi Raj, Omprakash (Junior), Lal Chand, Williams, Hiralal, Rai Singh, Jaiteshwar Singh and Ram Kishan.

The winners will meet the Delhi and District Cricket Association.

DROBNY TO MEET SIDWELL IN FINAL

MELBOURNE, Dec 8 (PTI-Reuter). Jaroslav Drobny, former Czech champion, and Bill Sidwell (New South Wales) will meet in the men's singles final of the Victorian Lawn Tennis Championships.

In today's semi-finals, Drobny beat John Bromwich 8-6, 6-2, 6-3, and Sidwell defeated the Australian champion, Frank Sedman 1-6, 8-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.

BRITAIN GAVE WORLD ORGANISED SPORT

BOMBAY, Dec. 8 (PTI).

Sir Eugen Millington-Drake who is on a cultural tour of Far East expressed the view today that countries of Europe and Asia which had adopted games and sports of British origin could claim them as their own. He added that those nations had adapted those games to suit their local conditions and had introduced into them new national colour.

Sir Eugen who is a keen sportsman, was the Chairman of the Reception Committee of the London Olympiad in 1948.

Sir Eugen said that Britain was the first country in Europe to develop sports and organise games, and had handed them on to rest of the world—first to U.S.A. and then to other English speaking countries at the turn of the century. These countries had made those sports their own, giving them their own peculiar characteristics. For instance, he said, this was very much the case in South America where football and boxing had certain well-marked local characteristics.

Sir Eugen held that all these nations, could, since 1920, certainly consider games and sports of British origin as their own, and had made them their own by their skill and keenness. "India can consider this very specially in regard to hockey", he added.

Sir Eugen hoped that when the "history of civilisation in the 19th and 20th centuries comes to be written, it would be recorded that just as Greece gave the world art, literature and olimpic ideals, so Britain gave the world the inestimable benefit of sports and organised games and its unwritten code—sportsmanship and fair play."

Philippine Stars For Asian Lawn Tennis

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8, (PTI): The Philippines' number one ranked player Felicissimo Amon will take part on the coming International Lawn Tennis Championships of Asia to commence in Calcutta on December 22, according to a cable received here today. He will also participate in the National Championships of India to be held in Allahabad in the first week of January next.

The Philippines number three, Carmona will also take part in the International Championships, as already announced.

BADMINTON INTER-UNIVERSITY

Ceylon Enters Final Of South Zone

BANGALORE, Dec. 8, (PTI): The Ceylon University entered the finals of the Inter-University South Zone Badminton (Shuttlecock) tournament beating Mysore University by three matches (two singles and one doubles) to nil. They will now meet the winners of Bombay and Poona in the finals on December 12 and 13.

The tournament commenced here today and four Universities namely Bombay, Poona, Mysore and Ceylon are taking part.

A University team has to take three out of the five matches (one doubles and four singles) to qualify themselves winners. Ceylon today won all the three matches played and there is no need for them to play the two remaining singles matches. They will however play tomorrow to complete the five match.

East Punjab Team For Inter-'Varsity Athletics

AMBALA, Dec. 8 (PTI)—The team representing the East Punjab University in the Inter-University Athletic Sports to be held in Colombo on Dec. 26 and 27 has assembled in Patiala and are undergoing training under the noted American coach Arthur Howard.

It was selected as follows:—

Balwant Singh, Dharam Singh, Jagdev Singh, arender Nath, Avarjit Singh, Atmasingh, Dasundha Singh, Grudip Singh, Balwant Singh, Gurdial Singh, Kanwalnain Singh, Darshan Singh, Karnam Chand, Kirpal Singh, T. P. Singh, Bhajan Singh, Jagmonan Singh, Ishar Singh, Ghanman Lal, Sukhwano Singh.

Balwant Singh and Darshan Singh have been appointed as captain and vice-captain respectively.

WORLD SWIMMING RECORD BROKEN

NEW HAVEN (Connecticut), Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter).—A Yale Freshmen relay swimming team today clipped eight-tenths of a second off the 800 metre world record set by a Japanese team this summer.

In a time trial clocked under American Athletic Union regulations, the team raced over the distance in eight minutes, 44.6 seconds. The record of eight minutes, 45.4 seconds was made in the National A. A. U. Championships in Los Angeles last August by Yoshihiro Hamaguchi, Suichi Maruyama, Shigeyuki Marayama and Hirong Hin Furushashi representing the Tokyo Swim Club.

Joe Louis To Tour South America

CHICAGO, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter).—Joe Louis, former world heavyweight champion, told reporters after his bout here with Pat Valentino that he intended to continue boxing, but strictly on an exhibition basis."

LOUIS CAN STILL LAND THEM

CHICAGO, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter): Joe Louis retired world heavyweight champion, knocked out Pat Valentino (San Francisco) in the 8th round of a ten rounds exhibition bout here last night.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON (MARCH)

New York, Dec. 8

Previous closing	30.34
Today's opening	30.39
Difference	+.05
Today's closing	30.21
Difference	—.13

LAST QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Dec. 8.

Silver Forward	Rs.	172 8
Gold Forward	Rs.	118 8
Silver Bullion	Rs.	171 12
Silver Mint	Rs.	172 0
Gold Ready	Rs.	113 12
Sovereign	Rs.	76 0

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Dec. 8.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining dol 28 3/8
General Motors dol. 69 3/8
United States Steel Commen unquoted.
United States Steel Prefeyence unquoted.

BUREAU REPORT

Washington, Dec. 8.

The Crop Reporting Board of the United States department of agriculture in its sixth and preliminary final crop report of the 1949 season estimates cotton production 16,034,000 bales.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Easier Tone

LONDON, Dec. 8 (PTI-Reuter)—There was fresh decline in British Funds today. Prices moved lower with bear operators again busy but the market became steadier in late dealings when offerings were absorbed by influential support. Losses were between quarter and threequarters percent.

In other sections of the London Stock Exchange there was little inclination to deal. Prices of industrials generally remained quietly steady around previous closing levels but occasionally small loss was recorded.

Once again there was a good market in rubbers. Prices were marked higher in an attempt to attract stock to market. Other commodities were idle but there was widespread dullness in oils.

There was some profittaking in recently firm and active issues in foreign bond market. German loans were fractionally lower, where changed.

Dividend season in South African Minings is about to begin. In idleness the prices were generally lower today with operators awaiting first announcements.

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, Dec. 8.

Cotton Sind NT 77, Punjab 289, F 81, Four F 75/8. Steadier owing to satisfactory demand. During past three days Russia has bought five thousand bales. Hitherto exported to Russia have totalled 41,500 bales.

Yesterday's business 5,000 bales. Arrivals 9,925, Exports 300 for Chittagong.

Cottonseeds NT Ready 6/4, January 5/14. Firm on rumours India Government have issued few import licences for Pakistani Cottonseeds.

Gold 97/8, Sovereigns 64. Easy.

Saurashtra Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Dec. 8.

Rajkot Silver Posh 171/5, Rajkot Singtel Posh Deli Posh 23/10/3, Rajkot Soda Ash Maha 21/8, Jamnagar Silver Posh 170/7, Jamnagar Magfali Posh 8/6, Dhoraji Magfali Posh 161/6, Veraval Singdana December-January 32/2, Rajkot Castik Maha 41.

SHREE M. L. DAHANUKAR'S 61st BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.

The Citizen's Committee of the above celebration informs the public that the programme of the celebration lasting over a week announced earlier has now been altered on account of certain unavoidable circumstances.

The programme shall now consist of only one day felicitation of Shree M. L. Dahanukar under the Presidentship of Shree S. K. Patil the Mayor of Bombay, on 14th December hence no further public contributions will be required.

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SALE OF POHAS

Cardholders in the Bombay rationed area can now obtain Pohas on the basis of two lbs. per month per Head of Family's foodgrains ration card at the rate of Re. 0-8-6 per lb. Pohas will be available at the following Government Grain Shops only:—

BOMBAY CITY

Govt. Grain Shops—Nos. 6, 9, 15, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 28, 50, 65, 67, 74, 81, 90, 101, 105, 111, 123, 124, 137, 144, 146, 148, 149, 151, 160, 172, 196, 225, 241 and 242.

BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT

Govt. Grain Shops—Nos. 93, 102, 202, 204, 205, 206, 212 and 232.

FOREIGN FILMS

Homicidal Hilarity At The Regal

THAT notable stage success "Arsenic And Old Lace" which enjoyed a phenomenal run on Broadway, and whose film version scored in Bombay some years ago, returns to the Regal this week.

The film concerns the somewhat lethal adventures of the batty Brewsters, all of whom, with a single exception would fittingly grace any lunatic asylum. Heading this homicidal clan are Abby and Martha Brewster, a couple of harless looking spinsters whose hobby it is to murder their lonely male boarders. Even more than a hobby, it is their mission in life, and the subtlety and polish with which they liquidate their victims turn their macabre goings-on into a work of art. When the only sane Brewster of the bunch discovers what has been happening, matters come rapidly to a head. Surprisingly enough, everything comes out right in the end, and everbody's happy.

Surrounded on all sides by this group of maniacs, Cary Grant and Priscilla Lane seem like persons who have stepped into a rather farcical nightmare, while one always has the feeling that any moment may see them as crazy as the rest. The homicidal sisters are played with tremendous enthusiasm by Josephine Hull and JeanAdair Raymond Massey and John Alexander play the mad Grewster brothers with distinction. Cary Grant and Priscilla Lane provide the romance in this entertaing film which has Jack Carson serving us with some of his own peculiar brand of comedy.

Cary Grant and Priscilla Lane in "ARSENIC AND OLD LACE."

Russian Film At Liberty

Beauty, drama, spectacle, romance they are all there in good measure in the beaautifully produced Russian film "Stone Flower", which, dubbed in Hindi as "Patthar Ka Phool" opens today at the Liberty Cinema.

Depicting the restlessness and urge for self-expression of a poor shepherd

The heroine of "THE STONE FLOWER", "PATTHAR KA PHOOL", now showing at the Liberty.

boy, which prompts his will-o'-the-wisp chase of an indescribably beautiful stone flower, the film is a lovely example of bewitching screen-craft.

Technically the film is a 'tour de force', the settings and camera work in particular being of the highest quality. The sheer beauty and superb imagery of the picture makes the viewing of this screenplay pure delight.

Directed at the Mosfilm Studios by Ivan Keller, the main characters are played by Vladimir Drunjikob, Elena Dcrevschikova and Tamara Makarova. The dubbing has been very skilfully achieved.

Along with "Patthar Ka Phool", there will be a well produced sports parade "The Festival Of Youth", a screen review of the sports festival which was held in Moscow.

RACING DRAMA AT NEW EMPIRE

Rooney's Attractive Performance

CAPTURING all the tenseness and nerve-tingling drama of the speedway track, "The Big Wheel" opening today at the New Empire provides sumptuous entertainment to all devotees of speed.

Rooney, son of a former speed star who was killed while racing decides to take up the same line. He finds himself rising rapidly, but is involved in an accident in which his best friend is killed. Having antagonised most of his associates with his brashness and over-confidence, he finds himself a failure and moves to New York. Here his recklessness makes him an instantaneous success, and he returns home a hero. Through a driver defaulting, he gets a chance to ride in the big Indianapolis race, the blue-riband of racing. Having all but won the race, he finds that his engine is on fire, but nevertheless keeps on going and comes in third, to gain the approbation of all for his heroism.

Though there is a plot of sorts the basic material of this film is the race mania itself, a mania that can never be shaken off, once it has gained a foothold. Rooney, cast as the cocksure racer puts in an attractive performance, while Thomas Mitchell, as his father's old mechanic, has also put in some good work. Spring Byington is ideally cast as Rooney's mother who, having lost a husband already, does not want to see her son go the same way. Production values are realistic, and the direction fast-moving, and there is some notable camera work which brings all the racing scenes to life. There are trills galore in this film for any speed addict.

Economy Move In Kashmir

SRINAGAR, Dec. 8 (PTI).—The Jammu and Kashmir Government has set up a Cabinet Committee, under the Acting Prime Minister, Bakshi Ghulam Mohammad to slash the State's current budget, the Development Minister, Ghulam Mohammad Sadiq said here today.

He said that his department had voluntarily accepted an economy cut of nearly rupees twenty lakhs representing about twenty per cent of the total grants to it.

Marrying Money Does Not Always Pay

The Enterprice Production M.G.M. release "Caught", currently running at the Metro, marks rough, tough and glamorous James Mason's debut on the American screen. Co-starred with Robert Ryan and Barbara Bel Geddes, Mason is the odd man in an unusual marital triangle.

Barbara disgusted with her somewhat mundane existence as a waitress and model, decides to fulfil her social ambitions by marrying multi-millionaire Robert Ryon. Things dont go quite according to plan, because Ryan merely sees in Barbara a very efficient hostess to entertain his business associates. She leaves him to take a job with struggling baby-doctor James Mason, who falls in love with her. About to have a baby, she asks her husband for a divorce which he will only grant if he can keep the child. Not wanting this, she goes back to her husband. Deliberately withholding medicine when he has a heart attack, she believes she has killed her husband and the resultant shock brings on a premature birth. With the baby still-born, Ryan's hold over her is broken, and she finds herself free to marry Mason.

As the star of the film, Mason should have been given Ryan's role, by far the more substantial part of the two. Indeed, for an actor of Mason's calibre, it seems a pretty poor piece of casting.

Mason, though he acts with his usual artistry, simply cannot make up for the dearth of dramatic material, with the result that Robert Ryan's part definitely stands out. The latter, domineering, possessive, utterly selfish and as utterly ruthless, puts over a powerful performance.

From the novel "Wild Calendar" by Libbie Block, with production by Wolfgang Reinhardt and adequate direction by Max Opuls, this melodrama of the eternal triangle should appeal to many, but as a James Mason fan, I felt him to be somewhat wasted.

Mickey Rooney in the thrilling racing ,arn "THE BIG WHEEL."

AMUSING COMEDY AT THE EROS

William Powell In 'Take One False Step'

Opening today, the current week's attraction at the Eros is the Universal International comedy "Take One False Step", in which debonair William Powell, beloved for his Thin Man roles finds himself accused of a murder he never committed. It depicts his exploits when he sets out to find the missing body. There is plenty of exciting stuff in this film for the most confirmed whodunit fan, and the racy situations and generally quick tempo of the plot will appeal to many. As suave and sophisticated as ever, William Powell will not disappoint his numerous fans. Shelley Winters plays a corpse who is very much alive, indeed.

James Gleason performs his usual role of the cynical wise-cracking captain of the homicide bureau, while Sheldon Leonard plays his aside. Marsha Hunt gives an appealing portrayal of unfulfilled yearning, while some notable comedy is supplied by Felix Bressart.

JAPAN TO RESTART OIL REFINERIES

TOKYO, Dec. 7 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The Japanese Government has been instructed to start operating Pacific coast oil refineries and to import crude petroleum, General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced yesterday.

Officials believed this would save ten million dollars during the first year of operation. Five refineries are expected to be repaired and in working condition by January 1.

No date had been set for first shipments of crude petroleum to Japan but she is expected to refine 120,000 tons a month, two thirds of the domestic demand.

Resigns From Congress, Joins Socialists

JULLUNDUR, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): Mr Lajjia Ram, who recently resigned from the Secretaryship of the City Congress Committee, Karnal, has joined the Socialist Party.

In a statement to the press, Mr Lajjia Ram said: "The reason why I have left the Congress is that during the last two years of freedom, the Congress Government had adopted procapitalist and pro-jagirdar policies which has resulted in great misery and discontent among the masses. Mazdoors and Kisans are confronted with the prospects of dwindled incomes and ejectment and in the name of crisis, the profiteers are being allowed to loot the country. In the circumstances, I have no alternative, but to join the Socialist Party".

Mathematics Conference

MADRAS Dec. 8.

The 16th Conference of the Indian Mathematical Society will be held at the Senate House, Chepauk, Madras from th e26th to 29th December 1949 on the invitation of the University of Madras. This Society founded in 1907 is one of the oldest Mathematical institutions of the world and has been conducting biennial conferences at different centres of India. Madras has been chosen as the venue for the Conference this year after a lapse of over thirty years.

INDIAN NEWS REVIEW NO. 60

Baseball Covered

Scenes of jubilation on the occasion of the adoption of Free India's New Constitution are specially filmed by the Films Division cameramen and find the pride of place in Indian News Review No. 60 scheduled for release this weekend.

The centenary celegrations of the Thomason College of Engineering at Roorkee and the 75th anniversary of the Y.M.C.A. in Bombay are topics of particular interest to educationists, students and social welfare workers.

The increasing opportunities provided for Indian women to receive military training are illustrated in the inauguration of the Women's wing of the National Cadet Corps at Nagpur.

Bihar forges ahead with recruitment for the Territorial Army.

For the first time, film-goers in India will have an opportunity of seeing baseball, America's National game, on the screen, the occasion being the Annual Match between the Calcutta and Bombay teams, resulting in a victory for Bombay.

BANGALORE NOW A CORPORATION CITY

Fifth In India

BANGALORE, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): Bangalore today became a Corporation City. The city till now consisted of two administrative units, the City and the Cantonment. The Cantonment was retroceded to the State by the British in 1947— on the eve of Indian Independence. They functioned under separate municipal administrations and have now been amalgamated to form the new city of Bangalore.

Till fresh elections are held for the new Corporation consisting of 75 members, the present members of the two municipalities will continue.

"GENEVA OF INDIA"

The city, described as "Geneva of India" for its cleanliness and beauty of layout, has a population of nearly seven lakhs in an area of 30-square miles. The Corporation will have a revenue of Rs. 72 lakhs.

In recent times, the city has grown rapidly and to provide for proper expansion in a scheme of forming an industrial suburb has been put through. Just outside the city limits lie the vast RIAF, training establishments at Jalahalli, the important Hindustan Aircraft Factory and the recently-started Indian telephone industries. Another major addition will be the machine tools factory shortly to be erected near Bangalore.

THE FIRST DUTY

In his messsage to the fifth Corporation in India Sri C. Rajagopalachari, who has spent some years in Bangalore as a college student, called the event historic and said "cleanliness is the first and biggest duty. Bangalore is naturally beautiful. May the new Corporation do everything possible to add to its beauty".

D.P.s On Fast

RAJKOT, Dec. 8 (PTI): Eleven displaced persons from Kutiyana have been on fast since Tuesday demanding rehabilitation.

The Saurashtra Government recently stopped the issue of free rations to displaced persons residing in relief camps.

CAUGHT MAT 2-B

James Mason, Barbara Bel Geddes and Robert Ryan in Metro's "CAUGHT."

CLOAK AND DAGGER MELODRAMA

"Wife Of Monte Cristo"

THE young in heart will find the red-blooded melodrama of the current Strand offering well to their tastes. "The Wife of Monte Cristo" traces the adventures of the irrepressible count after his liberation from the Chateau d'If. His wife, who, in the original, was the personification of femininity, here emerges with an unsuspected ability for the most advanced swordsmanship. She wields an epee with a dexterity that is little short of amazing and her flashing blade has several of her opponents well and truly stymied.

The story is a somewhat tangled one concerning the efforts of a gang of knaves to peddle worthless medicine and the attempts of the gallant count to scotch their nefarious plans. Monte Cristo disguises himself as the "Avenger" and finally succeeds, but not before he almost has his wife guillotined. Lenore Aubert is charming and vivacious in the central role, while distinguished British actor John Loder is suitably villainous in the part of the nefarious chief of police.

Capable support is provided by a cast that includes Fritz Kortner and Eduardo Cianelli. Smooth direction by Edgar Ulmer keeps the dramatic episodes well to the fore.

FILM DIARY

STRAND

"The Wife of Monte Cristo" starring Lenore Aubert.

NEW EMPIRE

"The Big Wheel" starring Mickey Rooney and Mary Hatcher.

METRO

"Caught" starring James Mason, Barbara Bel Goddes, Robert Ryan.

AURORA

"The Snake Pit" starring Olivia De Havilland, Mark Stevens.

REGAL

"Arsenic And Old Lace" starring Cary Grant, Raymond, Massey, Priscilla Lane.

LIBERTY

Sunday at 10-30 a.m.
"Charlie Chaplin Festival".

PAKISTAN MOULVI TAUGHT LESSON

Termed Sari Wearers As 'Kafirs'

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, Dec. 8: Climax was reached on Dec. 6 to the propaganda carried on since some time by some Moulvis against the wearing of Saris by Muslim women.

It is said, one of these Moulvies was addressing a meeting in Kharadhar area dominated mostly by Khojas, propagating that Muslim women wearing Saris were 'Kafirs' since Sari was the dress of 'Kafirs'—Hindus. Being enraged at such a remark, some of the women from amongst the audience made a direct attack on the Mullah to teach him a lesson. Seeing that the scales had turned against him, the Mullah took to his heels in order to save himself from the wrath of these excited women who were ready to attack him with their sandals.

KARACHI MERCHANT ARRESTED

Unofficial Exchange Of Pakistani Rupees

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, Dec. 8: Local Police have taken into custody a merchant named Kalumal for contravening the provisions of the Exchange Control Order.

It is said, Kalumal was caught while accepting 78 Pakistani rupees (instead of 68 as fixed officially) for his 100 Indian rupees from a local Muslim. It will be recalled, Pakistan Government recently announced that it will be an offence to exchange Indian rupees with Pakistan rupees at any less or more rate than that fixed officially by the State Bank and the penalty in this connection would extend to two years jail.

Since India has not yet accepted the official exchange rates fixed by Pakistan, private exchanges are taking place here around 75 to 85 Pakistani rupees for every 100 Indian rupees or 105 to 115 Indian rupees for every 100 Pakistani rupees. Some local Muslim merchants are stated to be carrying on regular trade in this connection and thereby making huge profits both ways.

"Charter Of Human Rights" Day On Dec. 10

LUCKNOW, Dec. 7 (PTI).—Acharya Narendra Deva, President of the United Nations Association (Indian branch) appealed to all associations throughout the country to celebrate December 10 as a day of "Charter of Human Rights."

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SIMPLIFIED MACHINERY FOR COMPENSATION

Bill To Amend Railway Act In Parliament

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (PTI).

FOR almost the whole day, Parliament debated Mr. K. Santhanam, Minister of State's (Railway) Bill to amend the Railway Act in respect of two important matters: the elimination of certain procedure regarding carriage of goods at railway risk and abolition of risk notes to be executed by consignors, and the provision of an automatic and simplified machinery to award compensation for losses to passengers in railway accidents.

Clause 10 of the Bill relating to liability of the railways for goods packed in defective condition having proved contentious, the House agreed to the postponement of consideration of the clause and passed the rest of the clauses of the Bill.

The measure sought to provide for the abolition of the execution of risk notes by consignors when goods were dispatched at railway risk, the liabilities of the railway involved therein having been statutorily incorporated. The simplified procedure, it was claimed, would eliminate wastage of "national energy" and avoid harassment to the mercantile community.

COMPENSATION OFFICIALS

The second feature of the Bill envisages the appointment of compensation commissioners, who will be charged with the task of calling for all particulars in cases of accidents and award compensation to the passengers for loss of life or injury, whatever the cause of the accident. The award which should not exceed Rs. 10,000 to anyone will be binding on the railway but is subject to appeal to the High Court.

Critics of the Bill followed the line of the minutes of dissent appended by Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava and Dr. Rakshi Tekchand to the Select Committee's report. They held that the responsibility of the Railway Administration as a bailee for loss should not be abridged and were particularly critical of Clause 10 which absolved the Railway Administration of the liability for claims against damages for goods in defective condition or defectively packed.

In regard to the machinery envisaged in the Bill for the purpose of determining and payment of compensation for losses in accident, they generally welcomed the provision but felt that the present remedy through the ordinary court of law should not be barred.

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava, Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed, Mr. Kuladhar Chaliha and Dr. P. R. Deshmukh opposed the Bill in this respect; while Mr. Gokulbhai Bhatt and Mr. K. Sharma gave unqualified support.

A RATIONAL ONE

Mr. K. Santanam, Minister of State, commending the Bill said that the Bill was a non-contentious and rational one, having the support of the mercantile community and would be in the interests of the general public. While the liabilities and responsibilities of the railways had been retained, the procedure of booking of goods had been simplified.

Intended to do justice to the general mass of people, the Bill, he said, provided for a quick and speedy machinery to give award of compensation to passengers who suffered loss in railway accidents whatever be the cause. This would be the most salutory provision.

In exchange for a vague and very uncertain chance of getting big sums, he would get a sum of Rs. 10,000 without going into the court.

"This is intended for the mass of people of India. Ninety-nine per cent of the travellers belong to the poorer and middle class section of the population and they will be glad to get compensation upto Rs. 10,000 in a very quick and speedy manner", Mr. Santhanam said and added that a public institution could not be bound by various kinds of liabilities that would ultimately destroy it. The Bill was a simple and rational proposal intended to do justice to the general mass of people and the mercantile community.

The House then proceeded to discuss the Bill clause by clause.

ROAD FUND

The House adopted a resolution to increase from fifteen to twenty per cent the amount that would be available for road development in the less developed provinces out of the petrol tax, both customs and excise, collected by the Central Government.

Mr. K. Santhanam, Minister of State for Transport, who sponsored the resolution, explained that for the last nineteen years, the Central Road Fund had remained practically in the same form. A certain portion of the petrol tax collected by the Central Government was made over to this fund. Formerly it was two annas per gallon. Now it was two and half annas per gallon. This part of it was kept in the reserve fund to be distributed on merit to finance those projects which required urgent relief. The balance was distributed among the provinces according to their petrol consumption.

The Centre did not derive any benefit from the fund.

The well-developed provinces had always insisted that the distribution should be on the basis of consumption while the less-developed provinces had opposed this contention. It had, however, now been agreed to by the provinces and by the Standing Committee that the reserve fund should be increased from fifteen to twenty per cent.

Replying to the debate later, Mr. Santhanam said: "We are glad that we have been able to persuade the more prosperous provinces to surrender five per cent of the road fund to which they were entitled under the previous resolution."

He hoped that in course of time it would be possible to persuade the Provinces to yield a little more but this could only be done by persuasion. Government did not want to do anything by compulsion.

COMPENSATION

The Bill proposed that compensation commissioners would be appointed; and where there was a big accident, a special commissioner might be appointed. They would call for all particulars and award compensation which would be binding on the Railways. This was the most salutary provision which ought to be enacted as early as possible.

Mr. Santhanam said that the institution of a machinery to settle compensation claims quickly was in the interest of the general public.

The provisions of the Bill had been welcomed by the business community and organisation.

CLARIFICATION

Mr. K. Santhanam, in his reply, made it clear that whenever an article was despatched on railway risk and if it was received in a damaged condition, the railways were bound to disclose particulars and they were responsible by law for the loss unless it was proved that the damage was not due to their negligence.

He said that the Bill did not deal with the question of railway risk at all. The liability of the railways was fully justiciable and that the onus of proof was on the railways.

Referring to the general provisions in respect of the elimination of the procedure concerning risk note, Mr. Santhanam said that both the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and the Associated Chamber of Commerce accorded welcome to the new procedure. The execution of these risk notes had proved to be a harassment to the mercantile community and a waste of national energy and wealth.

The Bill would materially reduce corruption among goods clerks and it would now be in the interest of booking clerks to encourage consignors to send goods on railway risks. There would be no more inducement by them to the consignors to send goods in defective packing at owner's risks.

The general controlling authority would have power to make rules and uniform regulations in respect of packing of goods. There had been hitherto no uniform regulation, with the result the Station Master and the goods clerks were the sole judge whether packing was good or bad.

As regards the criticisms of the clauses concerning payment of compensation for losses in accidents, Mr. Santhanam said that in the case of accidents, it was difficult to prove neglect on the part of the railway employees. Even a rich millionaire could not get compensation as it would be difficult for him to prove in a court of law that there was negligence or misconduct.

CENTRAL ROAD FUND

Reserve Amount Increased

Parliament today increased by five per cent the amount available out of the Central Road Fund for developing roads in the under-developed provinces. On the 1948-49 figures, this means an increase of rupees ten lakhs.

The Road Fund is fed by a part of the duty, both customs and excise, on petrol. The full duty is at present 15 annas per gallon, the appropriation from this to the Fund being at the rate of two and half annas per gallon.

The Fund is divided into the Central Road Fund Reserve, to which a fixed proportion (formerly 15 per cent but with effect from the allocation due for the financial year 1948-49 20 per cent) of the total annual appropriation is credited. This is utilised at the discretion of the Centre, among other things, for special grants to road projects of importance to more than one unit (e.g. a major bridge on the boundary between two units) and for other important projects of needy provinces and States.

The balance of 85 per cent is retained for annual distribution to the provinces and States upon the basis of the consumption of petrol in each unit.

The total accretion to the Road Fund in 1948-49 was rupees two hundred lakhs, out of which the share of the Reserve Fund would be rupees thirty lakhs at the rate of 15 per cent and 40 lakhs at the rate of 20 per cent.

It is considered necessary to increase the reserve in order to enable the Centre to develop inter-State communication, which will automatically help backward areas.

DETAILS

Until recently, railways were not liable to pay compensation for the losses due to accidents (if the accidents occurred were not owing to misconduct or negligence of duty on the part of railway employees) even though they involved death and injury of hundreds of people.

It was admitted as equitable and just that when an accident occurred, whatever the reasons, the poor people travelling in the train should have compensation for losses. A few years ago, when the Railway Act was amended, a provision was made that the passengers were entitled to compensation but a limitation was prescribed on the maximum amount as Rs. 10,000. But no procedure was laid down for prompt payment of compensation.

A STAMP PROBLEM SOLVED

No Picture Of President

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8. (PTI): The Government of India are understood to have decided against the issue of stamps bearing the picture of a living person on the occasion of the inauguration of the Indian Republic.

While considering the appropriateness of issuing a stamp with the picture of the first President of the Republic, along with other stamps, the difficulty arose of having to know in advance as to who would be the first President. A suggestion was made that two or three alternate blocks could be made and immediately after election, the right one issued. The Communications Ministry is understood, has now decided against such an uncertain and embarrassing procedure and to issue no stamps bearing the portrait of any living person.

SAVE FOOD DAY

BOMBAY, Thursday: The Suburban District Congress Committee has decided to celebrate Save Food Day on 25th and 26th December 1949. The main items of the programme are (1) enrolling members to forgo rice ration quota (2) on exhibition of non-rationed food articles and other items relating to food at M. A. High School, Ghodbunder Road, Andheri for two days from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Those who are willing to help may contact the Secretary, at District Congress Office, 51, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay.

COCHIN-TRIVANDRUM RAIL LINK

TRIVANDRUM, Dec. 8, (PTI): The Minister for Transport Mr. E. John Pilipose stated in the Legislative Assembly of the United State of Travancore and Cochin during question hour yesterday that the Government of India had been requested to make a survey for linking up the Shoranu-Cochin and Shenkottah-Trivandrum Railway lines.

Flowers In The Parliament

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (PTI) Summer flowers figured in Indian Parliament today during question hour.

Sardar Hukam Singh said that although members of the Constituent Assembly were charged for flower beds at the rate of of Rs. 2-8-0 per month, flower seeds had never been put in the beds for the last seven months.

Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, said, in a written reply, that flowers were not planted in these beds during summer; but only in the winter.

The charges levied covered only the expenditure for the six months' service though recovery was spread over 12 monthly instalments.

U.K. TO BUY MORE OF INDIAN TOBACCO

Quality Has Improved

LONDON, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter)—Britain in the coming years may well figure as a big buyer of Indian tobacco, subject to price and quality, British officials indicated today.

They, however, refused to disclose Britain's buying programme for Indian tobacco for fear that when manufacturers enter the market, sellers would drive up their price against them, regardless of quality.

Dollars are allocated to British manufacturers for purchases of dollar tobacco and this puts a rigid limit on what they can buy from North America. British manufacturers, therefore, are turning more and more to sterling supplies of tobacco and Indian tobacco is an increasingly useful supplement.

So far this year Britain has received more than twice as much of it as last year—enough for about a seventh of Britain's total consumption. The quality of the Indian tobbacco is said to have "improved greatly". Otherwise, manufacturers said today, they could no thave bought it.

OUR BIHAR NEWSLET TER:

CREATING A PRIVILEGED CLASS OF SOCIETY

Criticism Of Buildings Control Act

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

PATNA, (By Mail).

THE winter session of the Bihar Legislative Assembly, which began here recently, has attracted much public attention. It is at present discussing bills, which it could not decide at its last session. Some of these, if they "go through" the House would be of far reaching importance.

Two bills, among others, the Bihar Buildings Control Amendment Act of 1949 and the Motor Vehicles (Bihar Amendment) Bill of 1949, provoked a good deal of breeze in the House and helped relieve the monotony of the dull and drab proceedings and discussions. The former envisages to provide an award of costs to the winning party in a dispute; reduction of time allowed for a tenant to vacate the premises; summary disposal of cases and authority to the outgoing tenant, if he happens to be a Government servant, to transfer his tenancy rights to the incoming officer.

It looks like a miniature nationalisation of buildings in the making. So once a building is let out to a Government servant the owner has little if any rights left on his property. This move on the part of the Government came in for vehement criticism that it sought to create a privileged class of society, i.e., the class of Government servants and that it was "against the "ethics of democracy", as some put it.

ROAD TRANSPORT

The Motor Vehicles (Bihar Amendment) Bill seeks to nationalise road transport in this province to ensure that all profits accruing thereof are put to a "public benefit". This measure if passed would relieve the people of Bihar of a great deal of hardship to which they are put under the present private enterprise.

Easily one of the features of the Premier's statement in the Assembly lay in his stern warning, on behalf of the Government of course, that they won't tolerate intrigues, underboard transactions or for that matter any other act of the landed aristocracy which might prove detrimental to the smooth working of the Government plans for zamindari abolition. Even such states as don't normally come under the purview of the present legislation, the Premier went on to say, would stand chances of being taken over by the Government, if they felt convinced that their existence was neither desirable or otherwise suitable.

Another important development in the zamindari abolition sphere came from the Patna High Court which allowing the transfer application of the Maharajadhiraja of Darbhanga, concerning the transference of his suit with regard to the Government's proposed acquisition of his estates under the Bihar State Management of Estates and Tenures Act. It made some remarks which are bound to be of great importance and interest to the students of constitutional law as well as the lawyers.

Referring to Sir Alladi's contention, who appeared on behalf of the Government that "it was not for the court of a province to sit as a third bench of the legislature and invalidate acts passed by ..... it (legislature)", the court held "it is or will be the privilege of this court or any other court when an occasion arises, to interrupt and give effect to the will of a sovereign people". The transference of the application of the high court has meanwhile given rise to speculation. People are eagerly awaiting to follow the regular hearing of the case which is going to be taken up shortly

The Bihar Maintenance of Public Order (Ordinance 2) of 1949 survived another battle in its chequered history when the Federal Court dismissed the Hebeus Corpus application of 16 Bihar Red detenus. This Ordinance came in for a vehement discussion in the Assembly the other day.

IRRIGATION WORKS

One of the major irrigation works was executed this week at Pawrah, six miles from Nawadah. Besides this project work has also been taken up for the construction of a 13-mile long canal, along the "old bed" of the Sakri River, which had abandoned its course some 50 years ago starving a large tract of paddy area. This canal is expected to irrigate about 50,000 acres of land. Five mile long stretch of the canal, which has already been completed is irrigating about 10,000 acres of paddy fields. With the Gandhak project and the Sakri project well under way only Kosi remains to be seen. The Kosi, if damed and would besides irrigating lakhs of acres of land could be exploited profitably for cheap power supply.

With the staging of the ninth provincial medical conference at Darbhanga, the woeful lack and the lamentable paucity of medical facilities in the province came to forefront this week. The president of the conference has rightly stressed the necessity of a third medical college, another maternity ward (at present Bihar has only one attached to the Patna General Hospital), facilities and assistance for the scientific training of midwifery and the setting up of health centres at least at all district headquarters. It is to be seen how the Government are going to act on the resolutions

It is surprising that the provincial Health Minister could afford to be away at Delhi when such a important conference concerning his own portfolio was being held here. Perhaps he attached a greater importance to the constitution making at Delhi.

Questions In Parliament

ECONOMY DRIVE HITS RIVER PROJECTS

Twenty Per Cent Reduction

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (PTI).

MR. N. V. GADGIL, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, told Mr. Basanta Kumar Das at question time in the Dominion Parliament today that the provision for River Valley Schemes in the budget for 1950-51 had been considerably reduced and consequently the progress of the schemes would be affected to a considerable extent.

As against a provision of Rs. 452 lakhs for the Damodar Valley Project in the revised budget for 1949-50, the provision for 1950-51 is 370 lakhs. In the case of the Hirakud and Bhakra Projects the figures for 1950-51 are 350 lakhs and 600 lakhs respectively as against 347 lakhs and 600 lakhs in the revised budget figures for 1949-50. The budgeted provisions for these projects in 1949-50 was approximately 753 lakhs for the Damodar Valley, 577 lakhs for the Hirakud and 1,000 lakhs for the Bhakra.

NOT AFFECTED

Among the other schemes that have not been affected is the one for constructing additional residential accommodation for Parliament Members for which a provision of Rs. 20 lakhs has been made in next year's budget, compared to five lakhs in the current year's.

Answering supplementaries, Mr. Gadgil said that roughly, the Ministry of Works was asked to reduce its budget by 20 per cent.

He said that the proposal for a loan for the Damodar Valley Project from the World Bank was still under the consideration of the Bank, but the project would not depend on the grant of the loan. None of the projects had been totally abandoned.

In the case of the Damodar Valley Scheme, the generation of power has been given preference to irrigation and flood-control.

Question: Will it be possible to change over from power generation to irrigation?

Mr. Gadgil: It will be possible, but it will be an act of sheer madness.

IMPORT OF LOCOMOTIVES

Two hundred and two broad gauge locomotives from hard currency areas, and four metre guage locomotives from the soft currency areas were imported during the half year ending September 1949.

Giving this information at question time, Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Railways Minister, said 138 broad gauge and 170 metre gauge locomotives from the hard currency areas and 52 broad gauge locomotives from soft currency areas were expected to arrive in the half year ending 31st March, 1950.

The first locomotive from the Chittranjan Workshop was expected to come out by the end of 1950-51.

The services rendered by the Canadian locomotives were satisfactory.

IMPORT OF PETROL

Mr. N. V. Godgil told Dr. Monomohon Das that imports of petrol and kerosene into India during January to August 1949 were 3,88,937 tons and 4,11,864 tons respectively.

Of the total quantity of petrol and kerosene consumed in India during the first eight months of 1949, 6.8 per cent were produced in India.

Mr. Gadgil said in answer to Sardar Bhopinder Singh Man that the number of cases of corruption and fraud in the Central Public Works Department was decreasing and the general tone of the Department was definitely improving.

Seventysix cases of corruption, fraud and bribery were brought to his notice, during 1948 and 1949, most of them relating to irregularities committed during the war years.

Sixteen cases were sent to Court, nine had been decided and six officials had been convicted.

Departmental action was taken in 28 cases.

In addition, 32 cases were being investigated.

Replying to another question, Mr. Gadgil said that there was a proposal for the construction of a Nehru Stadium and Park in Delhi by the National Sports Club of India; the policy of Government was to discourage all non-essential and luxury constructions, including cinema houses. Sports stadia however, stood on a different footing from cinema houses.

SUGAR SCARCITY

Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh asked whether Government were aware that the "widespread and intense" scarcity of sugar in India had led to great suffering and hardship to the people of India.

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Food and Agriculture Minister: "Yes. The crux of the problem is increased production of sugar and towards this end, the Government of India are taking all possible measures."

In a written answer to Lala Rajkanwar, Mr. Gadgil said that Government were actively considering the expansion of their existing printing presses and for setting up of one or two new presses with modern machinery.

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Minister for Agriculture, said in reply to Dr Monomohon Das that no experiments for inducing artificial raifall had been carried out by the Government of India. The usual method followed in the course of experiments in Canada, Australia and the U.S.A. was to drop dry ice on the clouds above the freezing level from aeroplanes. For this purpose, the aircraft must fly above 17,000 feet and up to 25,000 feet above the sea level. It had not been possible for the R.I.A.F. to undertake the necessary operations for experimental work, nor were satisfactory machines available with the air service companies.

In other countries, the work was at an experimental stage. No large scale agricultural opetions were reported to have been undertaken with the aid of artificial rain in these countries.

Sardar Bhopinder Singh Man wanted an "assurance" that "no money will be wasted on the experiments which are of doubtful utility."

Mr. Jairamdas said that no large amount was going to be spent.

Mr. Kamath asked whether the sacrifice or 'yagna' recently performed in Saurashtra was part of these experiments.

Mr. Ayyangar: The original question relates to artificial rain while Mr. Kamath is referring to spiritual rain (laughter).

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, told in reply to supplementaries that the Vanaspati Planning Committee had reported to the Government that the results of experiments on rates at four different research centres indicated that vanaspati had no deleterious effect as compared to raw or refined groundnut oil. The Government had not considered the report.

The experiments were made on rates for three generation with raw groundnut oil, refined groundnut oil and vanaspati at melting points 37 and 40 degrees centrigade. The diets chosen were Madrasi and Bengali.

With regard to human beings, it was reported that vanaspati at 37 degrees melting point and had no harmful effect.

As regards the nutritive value of vanaspati as compared to raw groundnut oil and refined groundnut oil, the matter was being further examined.

Mr. Jairamdas said in reply to Mr. R. K. Sidhwa that the possibility of using 'turmeric' and ratanjoti as colouring materials for vanaspati was being discussed with the mnufacturers.

Out of 1,362 pre-partition claims for Rs. 77,28,954 registered by refugee contractors for work done on both former Bengal and Assam and North Western Railways, 338 claims for Rs. 10.12,779 have been settled.

This information was furnished by Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, replying to Mr. H. V. Kamath who asked about railway refugee contractors claims for payment in connection with works executed during the pre-partition period.

GOD AND THE GOVERNMENT

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (PTI) The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, who presided during question time, remarked in Parliament today amidst laughter that "even God himself, let alone the Government of India" might not know every individual complaint of the 300 million people in the country. Mr. Ayyangar therefore, asked Members to confine their supplementaries to matters of policy and bring in individual grievances only if they could not get them redressed by directly referring them to the Ministers.

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa said that he had 18 complaints against the Posts and Telegraphs Department and although he had referred them to the authorities for a number of months nothing had been done. M. Ayyangar said that Mr. Sidhwa could have his say during the budget session.

Thakur Krishna Singh (Tehri-Garhwal) complained that he had received a telegram in which 'Singh' had been turned into 'Soong' (a Chinese name) by the Telegraphs.

RAILWAY SERVICE WEIGHTAGE

Guruswami Unhappy

MADRAS, Dec. 8 (PTI)—Mr. S Guruswami, General Secretary, All-India Railwaymen's Federation, addressing the M. and S. M. Railway workers here today, said that the latest decision of the Government of India about weightage for service, was "belated and disappointing". Even so, he said, this decision would cause the Government about Rs. 60 lakhs and benefit about one lakh of workers.

The defect of the scheme, he said, lay in not boldly restoring the reduction in weightage caused by equation of old pay scales with "post-1931 scales."

If the recommendations of the Joint Advisory Committee were fully and properly implemented, he felt, the workers would be benefited to the extent of Rs. two crores. These achievements, following negotiations between the Government and the Federation, could not be ignored, he said.

Mr. Guruswami added that the Government's policy regarding retrenchment had not assumed serious proportions and the Federation was taking every possible step to protect the interests of the staff.

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STEELS AND TEXTILES SHOW SMALL LOSSES

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

The local Share Bazar opened quiet today on fears of a cut in steel prices. At the opening there was scattered short covering and prices recovered the opening loss in Steel Defds. but at the rise there was no support and the market turned quiet with Tata Steel Defds. quoted at Rs. 1,047-8 Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 300 and improved at Rs. 301. Indian Irons were quiet at Rs. 29-8.

Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1,050 and declined at Rs. 1,040. Kohinoors which are now popular among operators opened at Rs. 284 and after improving at Rs. 286 steadied at Rs. 285 Svadeshi Mill Shares opened at Rs. 270 and after improving at Rs. 272 quietened at Rs. 270. Scindia Shares were placed at Rs. 13-13.

Later on there was increased long liquidation and Tata Steel Defds. declined at Rs. 1440 and ordinary shares declined at Rs. 298|- Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 1046|4 and Kohinoors came in business at Rs. 284|- Central Indias after opening at Rs. 243 advanced at Rs. 248|8 and steadied at Rs. 246|8.

Associated Cements opened at Rs. 146|8 and after improving at Rs. 147|- declined at Rs. 145|8 Wimcos were steady at Rs. 211|4 while New Indias opened at Rs. 61|- and steadied at Rs. 60|4|. Scindias were done at Rs. 13|12.

At the close Tata Steel Defds recorded a small rally and were done at Rs. 1447|8 while ordinary shares changed hands at Rs. 300. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1048|12. Closing tone of the market was quiet with corrective liquidation.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	1048 12
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)	283 8
Swadeshi Mills (12-4)	269 8
Central India Mills (6)	246 0
Simplex Mills (6-6)	184 0
New Great Eastern (8)	148 0
Indore (8-3)	117 8
Gokak Mills (12)	257 8
Century Spinning (15)	241 4
Swan Mills (20)	306 0
Indian Bleaching (6)	138 0
Finlay Mills (15)	258 0
Morarji Gokuldas (8)	455 0
Edward Sassoon (30)	226 4
Meyer (12)	105 0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 11 3
India United Ord. (0-13-0)	11 10
Indian United Defd. (0-2-6)	1 13
Madhusudan Mills (15)	175 0
Podar (8)	130 0
Khatau Makanji (5)	171
Swadeshi Coupon	66 8
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	299 8
Tata Steel Defd. (64-13)	1443 12
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	137 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (6)	145 8
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	323 2
Belapur Sugar (9)	210 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	34 0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	13 13
Premier Construction	86 0
Tata Chemical	12 6
Tata Oil (2)	48 4
Indian Iron	29 11
Bengal Steel (0-12)	21 8
British Indian Corp. (0-9)	8 14 6
Indian Copper	2 5 9
Wimco	211 4
Alcock	246 4
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Power (6)	1475 0
Andhra Valley (30)	1405 0
Tata Hydro (3)	152 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	55 0
Phoenix (50)	136 4
Indian Mfg.	2910 0
Kurla XD	125 0
Colaba (12)	120 0
New City (1)	163 2
Minerva (12)	137 4
Bradbury (12)	476 4
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	5 0
Bharat Mills (8)	29 12
Mysore (4)	164 3
Model Mills (12-3)	181 4
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	690 0
Vishnu Cotton	228 12
Western India (40)	2925 0
Standard (15)	223 12
Sholapur Mills (200)	2860 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	16 8
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000 0
Tata Mills (2-3)	50 0
Ahmedabad Advance	240 0
New Ahmedabad	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3) XD	32 0
New Union Mills (0-8)	15 14
Madhusudan S (2-8)	35 0
Shrinivas Mills (8)	162 8
Raja Bahadur (4)	62 0
Berar Mills	250 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
ELECTRIC (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (1-9)	125 0
Ahmedabad New	74 12
Surat Electric (2-3)	127 8
Karachi Electric (2)	136 14
Broach (0-5)	6 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 6
Amalgamated (0-12)	12 4
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electricity Supply (S)	141 4
Bombay Suburban XR	149 6
Bombay Suburban New	85 0
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1740 0
Imperial Bank P (8-12)	432 8
Central Bank (1-8)	77 8
Central Bank New (8)	79 0
Bank of India (4)	168 0
Union (0-3)	7 0
Baroda	117 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	41 0
United Commercial (8)	45 0
Jaipur Bank (1-5)	35 8
Hindustan Commercial	17 0
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	94 0
INSURANCE SHARES	
Oriental (125)	4250
Empire (10)	541 4
New India (1-7)	59 8
Jupiter (0-12)	12 10
Vulcan (00-10)	11 13
Indian Mercantile (2)	36 0
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B.I.G. (1)	14 14
Industrial and Prudential	26 8
Neptune	2 0
New Great	25 0
All India General	14 0
RAILWAY SHARES	
C.P. (1-14) XD	113 8
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Steamer (103	215 0
Bombay Burma New (5)	120 10
Burma Petrol	1 5 3
Mackenzie (6)	77 8
Port Canning (3)	60 0
Kemp and Co. (30)	370 0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	125 0
Industrial Invest Trust (3-12)	83 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	38 12
Mukund Iron	13 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	16 0
Alembic (15)	150 0
Supreme Industries	72 8
Bombay Uganda	67 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	28 0
Indian Cement (1937)	171 4
Walchand Nagar Industries (B S.)	131 4
United Motor	28 0
Associated Cement New (2)	136 4
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880 0
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Sardar Carbonic X.D.	700 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Gujarat Motor	28 0
Estrella Batteries	32 2
Manmad Press	120 0
National Rayon	56 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	195 0
Andhra Valley (7)	1230 0
Tata Power (7-8)	1305 0
Hydro Electric (7)	127 8
Bombay Steamer (6)	220 0
Central India (5)	655 0
Swadeshi Mills	127 8
Vishnu Mills (7)	650 0
Lakshmi Mills	267 8
Khatau	100 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	220 0
Podar Mills (4)	105 10
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	105 10
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	316 0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	130 0
Pre. Construction First	100 8
Pre Construction 2nd Pref.	97 4
Amalgamated	115 0
Habib	72 9
Tata Chemical	126 4
Walchandnager	130 0
Jupiter	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	110 0
Mackenzie (1st)	85 0
Mackenzie (2)	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mill	80 0
Standard	99 0
Madhusudan	12 0
Khatau	100 12
Morarji	94 8
National Rayon	74 8
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952	103 8
Gula Kajamsingh	8 9
Rubber Planting	17 0
Bombay Steamer	97 0
Indian Hume Pipe	101 8
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchandnagar	105 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 9 0
New Victoria	2 0
New Victoria 2 (Pref.)	4 4
Palton (8)	120 0
Gold Mohor	302 8
New Kaiser Hind	305 0
Sajjan Mills	155 0
Osmanshahi (16)	240 0
Azamshahi	270 0
Air Services	4 4
Air India Tata	60 0
Hind Motors	5 2
Indian Steam	7 12 6

Indian Stock Exchange

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Taa Ordinary 299 Tata Deferred 1443-12 Indian Iron 29-11 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 21-8 Bombay Dyeing 1048-8 Central India 246-4 Gokak India 257-8 Kohinoor 283-12 Simplex 184 Swadeshi 269-6 Tata Power 1475 Associated Cement 145-10 Belapur 210 Bombay Burma (Old) 323-12 Scindia 13-13 Central Bank 77-8 New India 59-8 Tata 2nd Pref. 137-4.

ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

120	Ready	Japan	4 8 0
150	Ready	Japan	4 4 0
120	Ready	Italy	4 5 6
150	Ready	Italy	4 3 6
150	D. Box	Nov.	844 0 0
150	D. Box	Dec.	848 0 0

November Highest Rs. 855/- Lowest Rs. 843/-.

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

The local bullion market was quietly steady with restricted business. There is no fresh development in the market which is now left free to move at the operations of professional traders.

At the opening Posh delivery opened at Rs. 171/2 and improved at Rs. 171/8 under scattered buying. At this level the demand was satisfied and the market steadied at Rs. 171/6. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 170/14.

Gold market was quiet with utter absence of demand. Posh delivery opened at Rs. 112/2 and after declining at Rs. 111/13 steadied at Rs. 111/15. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 113/8 and sovereigns were placed at Rs. 76.

Later on there was increased buying and silver advanced at Rs. 172-8. Closing quotations were as under:—

Silver Ready	171 12 0
Silver Posh	172 6 0
Gold Ready	113 8 0
Gold Posh	112 4 0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

The produce market was steady today with moderate speculative buying. The market is now controlled by professional bulls. Linseed was steady and there was restricted business in Castorseeds. Oils were easy with no demand.

Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—			
Quality Receipts	36	8	0
Bold Ready December	36	6	0
Bold January	35	8	0
Bold December	35	8	0
Oil Bombay Mills	20	2	0
Oil Upcountry Mills	19	15	0
Oil December	19	13	0
Oil January	19	13	0
February	19	15	0
LINSEED—			
Indore	35	2	0
Bold	35	0	0
February-March	33	4	0
Small	34	4	0
Oil	20	12	0
CASTORSEED—			
January Delivery	24	8	0
Ready	24	8	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May delivery is 1373 cent points below New York May contract.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Dec 7.

KARNAK:	
Jan.	74.30—130
Mar.	74.05— 80
May	73.85— 50
ASHMOUNI:	
Dec.	73.65—165
Feb.	72.70—170
April	71.20—120

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

2 1/2 per cent	1954	98 14	0
2 1/2 per cent	1950	100 4	0
2 1/2 per cent	1955	99 11	0
2 1/2 per cent	1961	96 8	0
2 1/2 per cent	1960	99 8	0
2 3/4 per cent.	1962	99 1	0
2 3/4 per cent	1973	96 0	0
3 per cent Con.		97 15	6
3 per cent	1951-54	101 13	0
3 per cent	1952-55	102 0	0
3 per cent	1957	101 12	0
3 per cent	1959-61	101 5	0
3 per cent	1963-65	100 8	0
3 per cent	1966-68	100 7	0
3 per cent	1970-75	100 2	0
3 1/2 per cent	1954-59	104 7	0
3 1/2 per cent	1960-70	110 4	0
4 1/2 per cent	1950-55	101 12	0
4 1/2 per cent	1958-60	110 8	8
4 1/2 per cent	1958-66	113 0	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
3 per cent Bombay	1962	99 4	0
2 3/4 per cent C. P.	1961	97 1	0
2 3/4 per cent Madras	1961	97 1	0
3 per cent Bombay	1955	100 8	0
3 per cent Bombay	1958	100 4	0
3 per cent Punjab	1952	99 0	0
3 per cent Madras	1952-53	100 6	0
3 per cent U. P.	1952	100 6	0
3 per cent C. P.	1952	100 6	0
3 per cent N.W.F.	1952	98 2	0
3 per cent U. P.	1961-68	99 12	0
3 1/4 per cent Municipal	1977	99 0	0
4 per cent B.P.T. long dated		109 12	0
4 per cent Bombay	Muni	109 8	0
5 p.c. Bombay	Muni. 1959	114 0	0
6 per cent Bom. Municipality	1954	113 8	0
6 per cent K. P. T.	1956	113 12	0

Current Quotations Of Non-Ferrous And Ferrous Metals

NON-FERROUS

Description	Bombay Per cwt. Rs.	A.	Calcutta Per cwt Rs.	A.
ALUMINIUM:				
Ingots (Virgin)	117	0	112	0
Sheets 20 gauge	194	12	187	4
Circles 4"—5 3/4"	194	12	187	4
ANTIMONY:	175	0	175	0
BRASS:				
Ingots 70/30	..		78	0
,, 60/40/3	..		74	0
,, 60//40/7	..		70	0
Sheet:				
20 oz. per sq. ft.	..		160	0
24 ,,	135	8	135	0
28 ,,	129	0	130	0
32 ,,	...		122	0
35 ,,	128	0	121	0
40 ,,	128	0	121	0
45 ,,	...		121	0
50 ,,	..		130	0
Scrap:				
Pipe Scrap	80	0	81	6
Heavy Cast	70	0	68	0
Inferior Grade	62	0	65	0
COPPER:				
Ingots Electrolytic	113	0	110	0
Forward delivery Magh	..		109	8
Sheet:				
29 oz. per sq. ft.	165	8	165	0
28 ,,	163	0	165	0
35 ,,	163	0	165	0
40 ,,	163	0	165	0
50 ,,	168	0	164	0
60 ,,	168	0	165	0
Scrap, Clean	107	0	105	0
,, Mixed	102	0	103	0
GERMAN SILVER:				
Ingots 20 p.c. nickel	..		116	0
,, usual market quality	..		78	0
Scrap	..		75	0
Borings	..		70	0
LEAD:				
Ingots (virgin)	72	0	74	0
,, (remelted)	62	0	62	0
Scrap Hard	62	0	62	0
,, Soft	64	0	64	0
TIN:				
Malayan-Chinese-Singapore-Belgian	532	0	532	0
ZINC:				
Electrolytic	66	0	64	8
Prime Western	62	0	62	0
Hard Spelter (plates)	..		60	0
Forward Magh	59	8	..	
Dross	57	0	56	0
MERCURY: (per flask of 75 lb)	..		320	0

FERROUS

		Per ton Rs.	A.
PIG IRON: Foundry No.	1	107	0
,,	2	105	0
,,	3	103	0
,,	4	101	0
Basic		99	0
BARS, STRUCTURALS & PLATES ETC.:			
Bars & Rods (Rounds & Squares below 3" and Flats upto and including 5" wide)		363	0
Bars other sizes (Rounds & Squares 3" and above and Flats over 5" wide)		346	0
Structurals Bearing Plate and Crossing Sleepers Bars		355	0
Plates 3/8 and up		387	0
,, 1/8" Unannealed		408	0
,, 1/8" Annealed or Black Sheets 10G		410	0
Chequered Plates 1/4" and up		418	8
Boiler Plates 3/8" and up		40	0
Black Sheets Gauges 11 to 14		417	0
Galvanized Corrugated Sheets G. 24 in lengths 6/10 ft.		475	0
(a) Heavy Rails 50/100 lbs.		321	0
(b) Heavy Rails Second Class		311	0
Fishplates for Heavy Rails—Class A		412	0
Tools Steel Bass (TSC 2/2A)		475	0
Bullet Proof Plates Specn. IT70C		790	0
Shell Steel Bars 5/8" to 6" dia. and Gothic Section		401	0
WIRE AND WIRE PRODUCTS:			
Galvanized Wire 2 to 3 S.W.G.		675	0

Ahmedabad Share Bazar

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8: Market trend was bullish. Fluctuations Calico opened 267/12, Lowest 266/8, Highest 269/8, Arvind opened 747/-, Lowest 745/-, Highest 750/-, Ambica opened 341/-, Lowest 340/-, Deferred opened 1445/-, Highest 1455/-, Lowest 1439/-, Closing quotations Calico 269/4, Arvind 748/-, Ambica 340/8, Monogram 133/-, Deferred 1447/-, Atul 35/-, Ashok 313/12.

N. Y. SILVER SALES

SILVER: Dealings remained on a "token basis" with about 60,000 ounces transacted at unchanged level. International free gold last reported sold at 41 dollars an ounce, delivered Tanglers.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

MILLS—
Apollo 2-11-6 2-11-3
B. Dyeing 1050 55 45 48-12
Bradbury Ord. 476-4
C. India 243 48 46
Colaba 120
Finlay 258
Gokak 258 59 57-8
I.U. Defd. 1-13-3 1-13
,, Ord. 11-11 11-10
Indore 118-12 17-8
Kohinoor 283-8 86-8 83-8
Laxmi 690
Model 170
Meyer 106-4 6-14 5
New Great 147 51 49 52 48
Podar 130
Simplex 183 86 84
Svadeshi 269 71-8 69-8
Swan 306
Tata Mills 50
Vishnu 223
STEAMER—
B. Steam 215
,, Pref. 225
Scindia 13-13 13-11 13-14 13-11-6 13-13
BANKS—
Central 77 77-12 77-8
,, New 79
Imperial Old 1749
,, New 432-8
India 167-8 68
Union 7
U. Commercial 46
ELECTRIC—
Ahmedabad 124-6 25
Andhra 1405
Suburban 149-6
Hydro 152
,, Pref 127-8
Power 1475
INSURANCE
New India 61 60 60/4 59/8
STEEL
B. Steel 21/9 21/6 21/8 21/7 21/8
I. Iron 29/9 29/8/6 29/9 29/8 29/11
Tata Defd. 1440 57/8 40 47/8 43/12
Tata Ord. 299 301/12 298 99/8
Tata 2nd Pref. 137/4 37

MISCELLANEOUS
Alcock 245 46/4
A.C.C. 146/8 47 45/8
Belapur 207/8 10 9/8 10
B.B. Old 322/8 21/4 23/12 22/8 23/2
B.B. Petrol 1/5/6 1/5/3
B.I.C. 8/13/6 8/12/9 8/14/6
I. Bleaching 138
I. Copper 2/5/9
Port Canning 60 (Ex Div)
P. Const. 86 87 86
P. 1st Pref 100/8
Shivrajpur 34/8 34 35 34/4
Tata Chem. 12/8 12/6 12/7 12/6
Tata Pref 126/4 26/14 26/4
Tata Oil 48/4
Wimco 210 11/4
SPECIAL
Svadeshi Coupon 66/8
Ahmedabad Elec. New 74/8 74/12
Coorla Mills 125
Mckenzie 77/8

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

B. C. Rates T T D D 175 29/32 Ready.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 3/32 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th—9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th—9th Month.

New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 478 1/4, Montreal Rs. 435

Banks Selling T. T. D D Rs. 478 1/4. Montreal Rs. 435

Banks Buying T T Rs. 475 Montreal Rs 431 3/4.

Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 472 1/2 Montreal Rs. 429 3/4.

Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 473 3/4 L/C., Montreal Rs. 430 1/2 L/C.

Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 7250

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 7500.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79.

Switzerland Banks Selling T. T D. D. Fcs. 90 1/4.

Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 1033.

Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Gldn 79.

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T D. D. Rs. 83 1/4.

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 156 1/2.

Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 238 1/2.

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8 to 2.80 1/8, London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. not quoted, London-Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4. London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.63-65, London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 35, London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 139.90-140 10 London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36, London Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 27/32 1/2 15/16, London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 90.20 London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.63-65. London/Karachi Cross Rate 2/1-84-2/1.94 London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 80.35 London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 5.60-5.65 London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 3.07-3/4-3.08 1/4 London New York Cross Rate $2.79 7/8-2.80 1/8 London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02 London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 979-981 London/Prague Cross Rate K. 141 London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4-2/4 1/8 London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47. London Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 12.23-12.26.

London Discts 3 Mos 5/8 p.c.

London Discts 6 Mos 3/4 p.c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money: Call 3/4 per cent. 3 Mos 1 per cent. 6 Mos. 1-1/4 per cent. 12 Mos 1-1/2 per cent

Tone: Easy.

Imperial Bank Of India

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 2nd December:—

LIABILITIES	Rs.
CAPITAL:	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,30,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	2,62,27,05,000
Acceptances for Constituents	42,000
Sundries	2,31,31,000
Rupees	2,76,51,28,000

ASSETS	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	1,08,93,98,000
Other Authorised Investments	11,27,78,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	19,46,85,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	58,66,41,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	7,46,13,000
Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra	42,000
Dead Stock	1,55,11,000
Sundries	2,42,76,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	50,63,98,000
Balances with other Banks	16,07,86,000
Rupees	276,51,28,000

In the absence of fixed exchange rates between India and Pakistan for Pakistan rupees, figures in respect of Bank's Pakistan branches have been entered at par in the above statement.

Position Of Pakistan Scheduled Banks

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail).

The following is the statement of the position of the scheduled banks in Pakistan as at the close of business on November 25:—

(1) Demand Liabilities in Pakistan: (a) Borrowings from Banks 1,14,09,000; (b) Other demand liabilities 88,03,34,000.

(2) Time Liabilities in Pakistan: (a) Borrowings from banks 2,000, (b) Other Time Liabilities 19,79,44,000.

(3) Cash in Pakistan: (a) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes 2,000; (b) Pakistan Notes 3,40,65,000; (c) India Rupee Coin 1,04,000; (d) Pakistan Rupee Coin 6,77,000; (e) India Subsidiary Coin 3,05,000 and (f) Pakistan Subsidiary Coin 1,55,000.

(4) Balance with State Bank: (a) Principal Office 19,38,31,000; (b) Other Offices and Branches 1,61,76,000.

(5) Advances in Pakistan 38,33,43,000.

(6) Bills Discounted in Pakistan 1,81,01,000.

NEW YORK COTTON

Possible Barter Deal With India

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.

Following opening irregularities, prices fluctuated narrowly possibly awaiting tomorrow's bureau report of fresh incentives in other directions. Meanwhile trade absorbed scattered profittaking and hedging with the latter reflecting continued large southern spotsales. The increasing loan impoundings was attracting considerable attention as did renewed talk of possible cotton barter deals with India. The market latterly was featured by persistent pricefixing in nearbys partially against textile business and export sales to Britain. The meagreness of hedges was a contributing factor. The market closed very steady with sales at 125,000 bales.

The average crop guess of sixty-two members of the New York cotton exchange is 15,480,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

December	30.39 plus 07
March	30.34 plus 08
May	30.23 plus 09
July	29.71 plus 07
Oct.	28.19 plus 09
Middling spot	30.99 plus 03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December	30.31 plus 06
March	30.31 plus 10
May	30.19 plus 11
July	29.63 plus 07
Middling spot	29.90 plus 10

New York cotton March Highest 30.35 at 14.38 hours: Lowest 30.25 at 10.00.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Dec. 7.

LONDON: Silver spot and forward both 64 pence gold bars fine per ounce £12/8/-.

Calcutta Stock Market Steady

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The market ruled quiet but steady with regard to the speculative stocks while jute and coal shares remained more or less unaltered. Following are today's final transactions upto 3-00 p.m.:—

GOVT. SECURITIES: Three per cent Govt. paper 97/14, S lot Three per cent loan 1986 97/15. Three per cent loan 1953/55 101/15, Three per cent loan 1970/75 100/1/7, Four per cent loan 1960/70 110/3/6.

BANKS: Bharat 3/8.

COTTON: Elgin mills 16/4.

COALS: Bengal 517/-, Bhalgora 7/-, Burrakur 12/1, Central India 4/12. Katras Jherria 31/14.

JUTES: Anglo-India 205/-, Auckland 121/-, Bally 228/-, Barnagore 220/-, Champdany 184/-, Howrah 27/8, Kinnison 183/-, Naihati 117/-, National 22/9, Nuddea 72/-.

ENGINEERINGS: Braithwaite and Co. 8/2, Indian Iron 29/5, Kumardhubi 8/2, Marshalls 6/3, Steel Corp. 21/7, Ditto Pref. 123/-, Textile Machinery 7/7.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma Corp. 2/8, Consolidated tin As. 14/-, Indian Copper 2/6, Tavoy tin As. 10/-, Calcutta Electric 15/12, Alluminium Corp. 5/3, Anvelo Bros. 24/10, Bharat Airways 3/-, S, O Lot BIC 8/12, F and C Osler 5/13, Indian National Airways 3/15, Martin Burn 14/8, S Lot National Insulated Cable 8/4, British Burma Petrol 1/5, India Steamship 7/11.

SUGARS: Carew and Co. Pref. 106/12.

TEAS: Basmatia 25/-, Diburugarh 9/8, Ethelbari 11/2, Jutlibari 11/4, Gohpur 30/-, Ledo 110/-.

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS, Dec. 8 (P.T.I.): Following are today's quotations in the Madras Stock Exchange:—

GOVERNMENT LOANS: Three per cent paper 97/10, Three per cent 1986 98/-, Three per cent 1970/75 100/2, Three per cent 1966/68 100/4, Government of Travancore Three per cent 1952/54 100/12, Government of Madras Three per cent 1956 100/8, Three per cent 1960 100/2.

BANKS: Travancore 13/8.

PLANTINGS: Chembra 4/9, Devashola 13/8, Nelliampathy 1/1, Ouchterlony 5/11, Pullangode 1/2, Thirumbadi 1/11/6, T R and T Co. 5/3, Vaikundam 5/7.

TEXTILES: Buckingham 146/8. Do Pref. 188/-, Cambodia 108/, Coimbatore 122/-, Lakshmi 60/-, Madura 37/12, Mettur 312/-, Radhakrishna 148/-, Rajalakshmi 10/-, Ranga Vilas 47/8-, Trav. Rayons 4/5, Trichinopoly 9/13.

MISCELLANEOUS: F A C T 4/9, Mettur Chem. 6/1.

Hapur Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent)

HAPUR, Dec. 8.

Silver opened 169-15, later 170-1.

Gold opened 112-12. Quiet.

Bardana ready red 117-8, white 127.

Chet 114, March 127.

Cystal arrivals 4000 mds Sarson 34 Taraseed 29-8 to 27 Groundnut 15 to 18-4 Cottonseed 15 Mustaroil 90 Linseed oil 56 Oilcake 11-8 Oats 11 Maize 15 Bejhar 13 Gwar 12 Peas ready 15. Naha 14-8 Jeth 11-4 Arhak ready 11-8 Maha 11-4 Jeth 10-12 Urd 1-8 Moong 17-4 Masoor 13 to 15.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8.

Market trend is bullish.

Fluctuations: Calico opened 267-12, lowest 266-8, highest 269-8.

Arvind opened 747 lowest 745 highest 750.

Ambica opened 341, lowest 340.

Deferred opened 1445 highest 1455, lowest 1439.

Closing quotations: Calico 269-4, Arvind 748 Ambica 340-8 Monogram 133 Deferred 1447 Atul 35 Ashok 313-12.

WALL STREET MARKET

Traders Await Clearing Issues In Coal Dispute

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.

There was some inclination to await clearing of issues in the coal dispute and appraise the size of yearend tax selling which to date has not been extensive. Prices lost some minor ground in moderate dealings wherein nearly 100 issues were selling exdividend. Mostly lower steels were seen apparently disregarding for the time being republic steel's prediction of peak operations well into the third quarter of 1950. The averages were industrials 193.39 and rails 50.63.

The extent of the industrial average decline was distorted by some large exdividends— notably Allied Chemical and Standard Oil of California. In the afternoon better tendencies developed in selected issues but the weight of exdividends remained sufficient to cause the market still to show minor onbalance loss. The strength of Youngstown was primarily associated with expectations of a good yearend dividend Many technicians are talking of what they term overdue reaction now that the market has been more or less steadily advancing for six months. A late hardening of rails and further firmness of utilities enabled the composite average to finish with a small gain. The market closed irregular.

American Telephone and Telegraph 148-1/2: Amerex Holding Co. 32: Anaconda Copper Mining 28-3/8: Chase National Bank 34-5/8: Firestone Tyre 51: General Electric 41: General Motors 69-3/8: Ingersoll Rand 67-1/2: International Nickel of Canada "A" 27: National City Bank of New York 42-3/4: New York Central Railroad 10-1/2: Sinclair Oil Corporation 22-7/8: Socony Vacuum Oil 16-1/4: Texas Corporation 62: Union Carbide

WAR AGAINST TROPICAL DISEASES

Victory Over Malaria In Sight

Sir Philip Manson-Bahr

WELL-KNOWN BRITISH CONSULTING PHYSICIAN IN TROPICAL DISEASES.

BRITAIN is waging an unceasing war in the tropics not only against the diseases which are peculiar to warm climates, but also against that whole array of scourges which afflict mankind.

Malaria, sleeping sickness, yellow fever: the list is a long one. The most common of tropical diseases is, however, malaria, constituting until recently the chief bar to progress and development. But now it can be claimed that it has been to a great extent arrested and that ultimate victory is in sight.

Let us consider how this transformation has been achieved.

When some 50 years ago the mosquito-transmission of malaria had been proved beyond doubt, its eradication at that time appeared comparatively simple. It spelt, in fact, the destruction of mosquitoes wherever malaria was rife, though it soon had to be accepted that this was an impossible task.

As the result of intensive studies by entomologists in many lands it became evident that for some biological reasons only a comparatively small number of anopheline mosquitoes are capable of transmitting malaria from man to man, and that each each of these favours certain breeding

MALARIA, sleeping sickness, yellow fever-these are but a few of the many dreaded diseases against which British scientists and doctors have been waging a ceaseless war.

In this special article, an expert on tropical diseases reviews what has already been achieved. The work of British pioneers has brought health, prosperity and happiness to millions of people throughout the world.

places and maintains peculiar feeding habits, so that by concerating attacks upon them, within the limits of their own peculiar haunts, some success might be obtained. This method was aptly termed "species sanitation."

The operative procedures entailed in carrying out these measures differed widely in different countries. In Malaya, for example, some species have been to a great extent eliminated by altering the environment of their breeding waters. Some are partial to shade and concealment; other court the sunlight, and so on. At the present time anti-malarial campaign have been completely revolutionised by the application of D.D.T., an insecticide which has proved itself to be the most efficient weapon yet discovered.

Malaria Is Receding

Throughout the whole of Equatorial Africa, "Anopheles gambiae," a common as well as the most dangerous carrier of malaria, flourishes in almost every collection of water, however polluted or foul. Until two years ago the possibility of eradication of this small insect from such an immense area appeared fantastic, but now with the example of the successful campaigns in Sudan and Upper Egypt and with the introduction of other insecticides, such as gammexane malaria is rapidly bmecoming a rarity.

Malaria, indeed, is receding wherever the spraying of mosquito breeding ground is being undertaken. It was recently announced that the island of Cyprus has been freed from the menace after a D.D.T. campaign which has served as a model for the world.

In British Guiana, Dr. George Giglioli has been almost equally successful in an even more remarkable feat, but there he had to deal with vast alluvial plains with rice and cane-fields, swamps and waterways stretching for hundreds of miles. The brunt of this attack was directed against the two most dangerous species—"Anopheles darlingi" and "A. aquasalis"—by spraying huts and dwelling houses which they frequented with D.D.T. In spite of the fact that both these dangerous species have entirely different breeding habits—one breeds in fresh water, the other in brakish—within the space of two years they have been brought to the verge of extinction and concurrently malaria has practically disappeared.

Sleeping Sickness

When we turn to trypanosomiasis, or sleeping sickness, there is also a stirring tale to tell. The trypanosome is a small tadpole-like creature which lives in the blood and is transmitted by vicious and bloodthirsty tsetse flies. These insects are confined to Equatorial Africa, and wherever they abound they spell death to man and his domestic animals.

It is estimated that of the 65 million residents of trophical Africa no fewer than 2,000,000 are infected with the deadly trypanosome.

On account of this, only two-fifths of the enormous territory of Tanganyika are suitable for settlement and development; the rest is one vast fly-belt. Some 21 species of tsetse are known to science, of which some six are adapted to the conveyance of the germ of sleeping sickness; and it has now been discovered that for each species of fly certain plant associations and climatic conditions are essential in order that it may flourish.

The fight against sleeping sickness has been long & protracted. Whole populations have been trasplanted from danger areas, and the ingenuity of many devoted entomologists has been taxed to the utmost to discover methods of controlling the fly. Vast schemes for destroying their breeding places have been put into execution D D T. "smoke" spread by air-craft has, indeed, achieved some local and temporary success. Powerful curative drugs, such as antrypol and tryparsamide, have been discovered and freely used, but the battle is not yet won.

The epic of the Anchau corridor has now been told. The market town of Anchau in North Nigeria in the Emirate of Zahaia has always constituted a hot-bed of sleeping sickness and, owing to its filthy and insanitary state, a danger to the community. To free this area from sleeping sickness 700 square miles of country had to be cleared of bush and, within the space of 10 years, the local population had been resettled in a new town with model wells and market-places. Cattle, pigs and poultry have been introduced, and flourish there. The cesspit which constituted old Anchau has now been transformed into a settlement aptly termed Takalafiya or "Walk in Health". For this magnificent achievement Dr. H. M. Lester, Dr. T. A. M. Nash and Dr Kenneth Morris must be given full and generous credit

Conquest Of Yellow Fever

The story of the conquest of yellow fever, or "yellow jack" as it was known to our forefathers, has been one of constant and heroic endeavour in which British scientists have played a leading part and one in which valuable British lives have been sacrificed A hundred years ago yellow fever in epidemic form swept across the West Indies and the South American continent, and from time to time broke out also in West and Central Africa.

The germ cause has been found to be an ultramicroscopic virus which is present in the blood in the first three days of the fever and is disseminated from the sick to the healthy by a gaily marked "tiger mosquito"—AEDES AEGYPTI. Fortunately this is a domestic insect abounding in the haunts of man especially in large towns, whence it can be easily ousted by D.D.T This has now done in many parts of South America and West Africa, so that with its disappearance yellow fever has been banished from the main centres of population.

With the development of irrigation and cultivation bilharziasis is spreading throughout the Continent of Africa. The bilharzia (so-called after its discoverer, Bilharz— and familiarly nicknamed "Bill Harris" by British troops) is a worm, just under half-an-inch in length which lives securely within blood vessels. Here the female produces a great number of hard-shelled eggs which are shed outside the body in the excreta and, when passed in water, give rise to a motile ciliated creature which burrows into the liver of certain freshwater snails which abound in streams ponds, rivers, reservoirs and other collections of water.

In this organ an elaborate reproduction takes place, the final phase of which is the cercaria, a small thread-like creature with a bifid tail which swims actively in water for about two days. This, now a juvenile bilharzia worm, is attracted to man and, by burrowing through the skin, enters the body and settles down within the portal vein. It is obvious that in the extermination of these peculiar snails, which constitute the host of the bilharzia parastie, lies the only hope of curtailing its ravages. This is a gigantic task which entails the draining of streams, ponds and waterways in an unceasing destruction of these molluscs with sulphate of copper.

This brief account is a story of the manner in which the defeat of the main tropical diseases has been, or is being, brought about. It is probably true that, perhaps with the exception of leprosy, we now possess efficient drugs which are antidotes for them all. This is the lynch-pin upon which the health, prosperity and happiness of millions of people depand.

For this happy solution a tribute should be paid to members of Britain's Colonial Medical Service who, unread and unsung, sometimes subjected to unjust and uninformed criticism, have laboured on, often amidst uncongenial surroundings, such as can hardly be realised by many.

Stewart In Danger

SINGAPORE, Dec. 8, (PTI-Reuter): The condition of Mr. Duncan Stewart, Governor of Sarawak, deteriorated during the day and is now giving cause for some anxiety a bulletin issued here reported today.

Mr. Stewart was stabbed by a Malay student on Saturday.

S. AFRICA LOSES TO SCOTT

Comment In U.N. Circles

FLUSHING MEADOW, December 7 (P.T.I.): The Reverend Michael Scott, the missionary who gave evidence before the Trusteeship Committee in the United Nations debate on South-West Africa, said yesterday that "the final result was a triumph for the United Nations and its principles"

Several delegates congratulated Mr. Scott on the success of his efforts. After the debate one delegate said "South Africa seemed to have made the issue South Africa versus Michael Scott — and lost".

Mr. Scott told P.T.I.: "It is to be hoped that South Africa will now be recalled to a sense of her obligations not only to the world but to her own indigenous peoples.

"The issues at stake" Mr. Scott continued, "are of vital importance to the African people and it is very heartening that the principles involved have been so strongly upheld by the United Nations. It is good to know that the United Kingdom representative now clearly recognises the importance of this issue for the British Commonwealth, especially for Britain in Africa.

NO VINDICTIVENESS

Mr. B. Shiva Rao (India) who piloted the resolutions through the Trusteeship Committee told P.T.I. that the Indian Delegation "had every right to be satisfied with the results of the vote on the two resolutions".

He said India did not take part in the debates of the Trusteeship Committee or of the General Assembly in any spirit of vindictiveness. There were moral issues which the General Assembly could not afford to ignore.

Mr. Rao said during this session — as compared to the Paris session last year — some of the Latin American countries and Middle East States had been more anxious than in the past to stand up for the rights of dependent peoples.

"The Indian Delegation regards this as one of the brightest features of this years session of the General Assembly", Mr. Rao concluded.

INDIAN PROBLEMS BRAVELY TACKLED

Constitution Praised

SINGAPORE, Dec. 7 (PTI-Reuter): "On the whole, the Indian Constitution tackles bravely the immediate problems that confront it, namely, unity and preservation of stability", says the Asian-owned Malaya Tribune newspaper in an editorial today.

The most striking feature of the Indian Constitution, according to the paper is "the novel way in which it has attempted to create unity out of diversity in India." This shows, according to the journal, that "the greatest fear of the present rulers is of India falling apart through separationist agitation and internal disorder.

"A strong Central Government armed with almost unlimited powers is the only effective safeguard. However, there is a potential danger that such a Central Government, in determined and ruthless nands, could become a totalitarian regime."

Under the terms of the agreement the Madras Government would cede to Hyderabad enclaves to the extent of 25,800 acres and in return get a number of villages extending to 40,328 acres.

Under the same agreement, the Madras Government will cede to the Mysore State some enclaves in Anantapur, South Canara and Salem Districts covering an area of about 39,000 acres. They would, in return get back a number of enclaves in Coimbatore, Bellary and Salem districts, extending to about 9,000 acres.

MALAN HAS OFFENDED WORLD OPINION

Gen. Smuts Charge

BLOEMFONTEIN, Dec. (PTI-Reuter): General Smuts, former South African Prime Minister, spoke here last night of "gathering international storm clouds" and said they boded ill for the Union which "had offended world opinion."

He was opening a Congress of his United Party.

General Smuts said Prime Minister Daniel Malan had accused him of disrupting the South African nation But overseas people knew him, he said.

Constant personal attacks increased overseas suspicions of the Nationalists as did the "threatened censorship of press messages "from South Africa

In a reference to South-West Africa —in the dispute over which the United Nations this week decided to ask the World Court at The Hague for a ruling—General Smuts said that in incorporating this territory the Government had, for party purposes "stolen Naboth's vineyards".

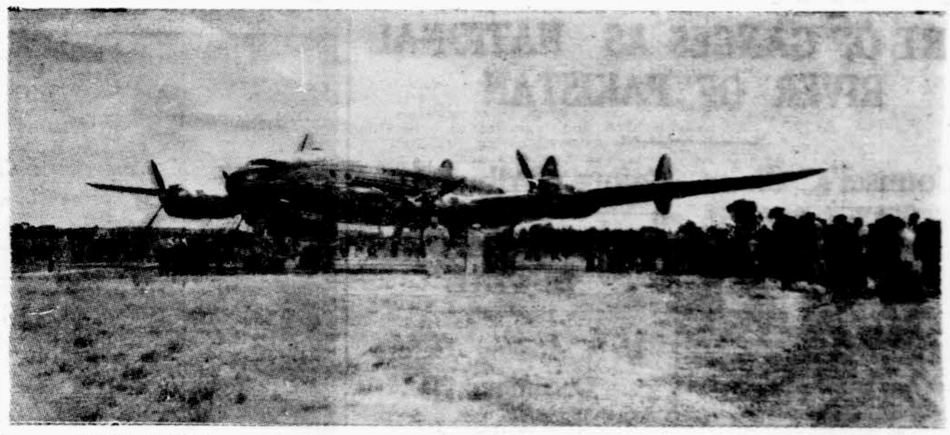
Maj-General Chaudhari

GWALIOR, Dec. 7 (PTI): Major General J. N. Chaudhari, who is on leave, has arrived here on a private visit. He is likely to stay here for a week.

JULLUNDUR, Dec. 7 (PTI): The policy of the Congress in the East Punjab with regard to tenancy problems will be on the agenda of the Working Committee of the Provincial Congress which meets here on December 10.

The subject will also be discussed at the meeting of the Provincial Congress Committee on December 11.

A SHILLING FOR A SIGHT



Crowds collect to see the Air India International Constellation at Nairobi on November 16 during its Proving Flight. The plane was kept open to public view on a small fee of one Shilling per head. The collection which came to Shillings 5,000/- goes into the Jawaharlal African Education Fund.

CHINA REDS APOLOGISE

Shooting Incident In Yangtse

HONG KONG December 7 (PTI-Reuter): Officers of the 573-ton British motor vessel "Elsie Moller", which arrived here in town today from Shanghai, said the Communist apologised after firing on the ship in the Vangtse last week

The Communists said they had not been advised about the ship's departure from Shanghai and thought she was Nationalist. They machine-gunned the ship from shore at short range and 24 bullets hit her Nobody was injured. The ship ran aground in unfamiliar water and damaged her rudder while trying to escape. She later extricated herself and limped to the mouth of the Yangtse where she was picked up by a tug.

Mr. K. D. Bhasin, First Secretary at the Indian Embassy in Teheran, stressed Indo-Persian friendship in a speech to the Indo-Persian Cultural Society here last night.

STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Opening By Home Minister

BOMBAY Thursday

"Though the Bombay State Transport Corporation which is being inaugurated now is epected to be run on business line, it should not keep its eye on profits and the interest of the people should be its sole consideration" said Mr. Morarji Desai, Minister [illegible] and Revenue inaugurating the Corporation at the Central Coach Buildings workshop at Santa Cruz, this evenin.

"It should strive to run comfortable, regular and efficient transport service. After all, whatever profits the concern would earn would ultimately go to the public and therefore instead of concentrating on earning huge profits it should keep in mind the interests of people society and country," the Minister added.

Mr. Gulzarilal, Nanda, Minister for Labour Mr. G. D. Vartak Minister for Local Self-Government Mr. M. D. Bhat, Chief Secretary to the Government members of the Board of the newly formed corporation and other high officials were present on the occasion.

AIKYA KERALA NOT FAR OFF

Deputation Leader's Hope

MADRAS, Dec. 8 (PTI): Mr. K. P. Kesava Menon, leader of the Aikya Kerala delegation, which recently met Prime Minister Pandit Nehru and Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Patel at Delhi, declared here today that the people of Kerala would not have to wait long after the new constitution came into force for the formation of their own province.

Mr. Kesava Menon and other members of the delegation returned to Madras last evening from Delhi.

Mr. Menon told the P.T.I. "We have no reason to be dissatisfied with the results of our mission to Delhi. Our success on the whole was more than we expected at first. We were able to place our case for the immediate formation of the Kerala province before the Prime Minister, the Deputy Prime Minister and some other members of the Government of India. We also had the opportunity to discuss the position with the President of the Congress and some prominent members of the Working Commitee and know their reactions to our demands."

CHURCH & ASIAN COMMUNISM

Discussions At Bangkok

BANGKOK, Dec. 7. (PTI-Reuter): Dr S. C Leung, Conference General Secretary, told the East Asian Christian Conference here today the Chinese Communist regime had come to stay.

Christians would have to come to grips with it "just as early Christians had to come to grips with Pagan Rome", he declared.

The Conference ended its preliminary discussions on church problems in relation to Asian Communism without forming any general conclusions.

Dr. Leung, who has a record of 40 years Christian work in China, said: "No external power is in sight to destroy the Chinese Communist regime unless it destroys itself".

He gave a survey of the Chinese Communist regime in relation to Christianity at a closed session of the conference, in the absence of the Protestan-Christian delegation from China who had failed to obtain visas for Siam.

Dr. Leung told newsmen later that some delegates had demanded exclusion of the press and public because they feared Communist reprisals if they spoke their minds freely in open conference.

Summarising his survey for reporters, Dr. Leung, said the problems of pre-Communist China were those of poverty of the masses, exploitation of the under-privileged by the few and corrupt Government "which could not be changed by the due processes of law", adding:

"Whether the Communists can solve these depends on whether they can solve the economic problems".

The Netherlands theologian Dr. W. A. Visser T. Hooft said the general social revolt in Asia "which has gravely affected Christianity" was an inevitable revolt which pre-dated Communism.

He too spoke in closed session but later summarised his views in an interview.

"The tragedy of our time is that the great mass of social revolt has become channelled into Communism", he said. "The churches must study the influence of communism on the individual man, not the influence of communism on the church alone. The church cannot be egocentric about this".

Dr. T'Hooft concluded: "Unless Christians and other men of good faith tackle the acute social problems, communism will be inevitable.

Section 144 Cr. P. C. imposed in various parts of the Patiala and East Punjab States Union for the last few months has been withdrawn.

MADRAS CABINET DECISION WILL DELAY ANDHRA

Ranga Says Province Now, Disputes Later

NEW DELHI, Dec. 7. (PTI): Prof N. G. Ranga, President of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee, in a statement today described the reported decision of the Madras Cabinet to stay creation of Andhra Province till April 1 'as the surest way to postpone the advent of the Andhra province for at least an year".

In the event of postponement, Prof. Ranga said, the creation of the province would have to take place under the Constitution Act which laid down an elaborate procedure. The President of the Republic would have to move the Government to pass a resolution and thereafter, the Union Government pilot a special bill for the creation of a province.

RESPONSIBILITY

"If Madras Government is not prepared to make itself responsible for delay" Prof. Ranga said, "they must take all such provisional and expeditious steps—the minimum necessary—to create the Andhra province before the 25th January, leaving all other major or minor outstanding questions to be settled later on. For instance, the two legislatures and cabinets may be created and enabled to function under a common Governor, with a common Secretariat and heads of departments and a common High Court and Public Services Commission till the first of April 1950", Prof. Ranga added.

ANDHRA PARTITION BODY MEETS

MADRAS, Dec. 8. (PTI): The eight-member Partition Committee appointed by the Madras Government in connection with the formation of the Andhra Province, held its first meeting here, today Premier P. S. Kumaraswamy Raja, who is Committee's Chairman, presided.

The Committee is charged with the task of evolving agreed solutions in regard to various issues like the future capital, legislature and financial position of the new Province.

Mr. M. Bakthavatsalam, Minister for Public Works in Charge of Information, said after the meeting, that there was "a preliminary discussion of a general nature" on the Government of India's memorandum on the subject. Preliminary discussions would be continued tomorrow, after which, the Committee would adjourn to December 21, he added.

Mr. S. Venkateswaran, Additional Secretary to the Government in the Public Department, has been appointed as Secretary to the Committee.

Our Burma Newsletter

VICTORY OVER REBELS WITHIN SIX MONTHS

Change In Season Brings New Hope To Nation

RANGOON, (By Air Mail).

THE open season has been upon Burma since the beginning of this month. and the Burmese have appropriately celebrated the end of Buddhist Lent with a splendid lighting festival.

The open season is the best occasion for activities of all sorts, not excepting the activities of the insurgents who had been lying inert for more than three months due to heavy rains. This is also the time when the Government forces have planned a large-scale offensive on the rebels. Rice harvesting has just begun, and the peasants in the rebel-free areas are happy at their work, for the market price of rice is very satisfactory.

But the peasants of the rebel-infested areas are feeling miserable because they are afraid to go out into the field and reap what they have so painstakingly sown. The rebels have often threatened them that if they go out to harvest, they will be punished. However, the Government forces have been as good as their declarations that they would retake the rebel-occupied areas soon after the rains.

TASTE OF IDEOLOGIES

The people of the countryside of the liberated are now experiencing the same kind of delight as when they were saved from the hands of the Japanese by the Allied forces. The, have now tasted all kinds of ideologies, as it were, Imperialism during the British regime, Fascism during the Japanese occupation, Democracy under the present Government, and temporarily but unforgetably the New Democracy under the dictatorial misrule of the rebels. Some young men who were theoretically enamoured of the ideology of the New Democracy have come out of the rebel-occupied areas thoroughly disillusioned.

The retaking of Taunggyi, the capital of the Shan States by the Government forces is a land-mark of the success of the Government plan to bring the country to the much-desired peace within one year. The military plan in the general scheme of "Peace Within One Year" have produced most brilliant results, and the insurgents, as forces of rebels, are in the throes of disintegration. An observer assured that the insurgents would be destroyed substantially within six months and the surviving rebels would degenerate into dacoits.

Even now the insurgents are concentrating on dacoity and looting much more than on the fight against the Government.

Taunggyi now retaken, the Karen rebels' door of exit to China or Siam is closed, and they will be brought to bay somewhere in the Mawchi mines area, a few miles off Toungoo, a central Burma railway town now in their hands for over a year. The plans for retreat to Taunggi have been abandoned and now they are finding some well-sheltered nooks in the deep forests at the foot of the Tennasserim Yomah mountains.

RETURN OF P.V.O.s

The Karen insurgents in the Irrawaddy delta are also suffering reverses, and most of their strongholds notably Yandoon, the riverine rice centre, have been retaken by the Government forces with the help of the units of White P.V.O. (Peoples Volunteer Organisation) who had hitherto rebelled against the Government. The return of the White P.V.O. units under the banner of the Government has been on the increase. The "Yebaws" as they are called, now realised that they are doing more harm than good to the people by revolting against the Government for whom they little love. Some of their leaders foresee great dangers ahead with the continued success of the Chinese Communists in China. The defence of Burma they realise, is much more important than the "domestic fight." They only incorrigibles are the Karen rebels and the Communist insurgents. They will have to be quelled, and the Government has now launched an all-out offensive on them. With the masses against these elements, their success if any would not be more than ephemeral.

The month of November is the first month of clear sky, and the Burmese people do not fail to make the best use of the bright sun light and the cool, clear moon light. They have "Pwes" (entertainments) and festivals.

On the 15th, the Burmese National Day came with a huge procession together with functions and festivities. The Day commemorates the first University Boycott, the day when the Burmese, as a nation, became conscious of the staggering fact that they were the "slaves" of the British. It was in 1920. Since then the Burmese National Day was celebrated with enthusiasm by the entire nation.

On the 20th came the Authors' Day —a literary festival when the Burma Authors' Association staged a historical play depicting the life of a famous litterateur of the days of Burmese Kings, Po Yarza, a peasant who was raised to the rank of a Minister of the Crown due to his historical researches. Premier Thakin Nu, author of several plays and a novel, sponsored the play.

CONFUSION OVER TAX

Amidst fun and frivolities the hearts of the citizens of Rangoon beat with some indignation. The Government has since the beginning of this month introduced the Sales Tax which has brought great repercussions. The tax which is levied on anything sold at the rate of 20 per cent was purported to bring the insolvent Government a good deal of revenue to meet the deficit in the budget. Although it may fill the almost empty coffers of the Government, it had definitely emptied the purse of the public. Another name for the Purchase Tax of other countries, the Sales Tax designedly levied on the traders fall on the overburdened shoulders of the masses. Besides, the Government has failed to forewarn the public of the advent of this tax. In fact, it has failed to explain the tax when it was introduced. The result was confusion. The traders themselves did not know how to fulfil the conditions of the tax, and the purchasers were surprised, if not shocked, that the cost of living had leaped overnight. The AFPFL, the mother-body of the present Government, admitted it was not consulted in the matter and at a general meeting pronounced its determination to see to the modification, if not abolition, of this tax

The cost of living has unwittingly gone up, and the Burmese economic life has deteriorated. Meanwhile, the profiteers are making hay. They hoard several consumer goods, and the prices rose.

The Government is, however, taking steps to bring under "exemption" all the consumer goods and the situation has improved considerably The offensive against profiteers and black-marketeers and has now taken the strategic form of a liberalisation of issue of import license, especially for piece-goods from India and Japan.

The immediate impact of this step on the hoarders is that the hoarded commodities has been brought to the open and sold on the pavement of the streets at considerably lower price than usual.

"NEED FOR SAVING IS IMPERATIVE"

Maharaj Singh's Appeal To People Of Baroda

BARODA, December 8 (PTI): Raja Maharaj Singh Governor of Bombay in a message to the people of Baroda on the National Savings Scheme says. "In these days of inflation and high cost of living the imperative need of saving cannot be over-emphasised

It not only ensures happiness and comfort for one's self and one's family in later days, but is also of national importance, because it helps to fight inflation and to reduce prices of essential commodities I wish all success to the National Savings Scheme which, I understand, has already been popular in the Baroda district and hope that people will contribute to its further success by their ready co-operation and wise investment".

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BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR AHMEDABAD

Governor's Praise

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8.

Replying to an address presented to him by the Ahmedabad Municipality on December 8, His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, Raja Maharaj Singh, said:

I note with interest your good work in the improvement of communications, the supply of water and electricity, drainage and town-planning. I commend your desire to improve your revenues, more especially as your Municipality is shortly expected to be converted into a corporation. That will be a great event on which I congratulate you in anticipation. In view of the already heavy commitments of the Government in other directions, the question of further financial aid to your Municipality will need careful consideration, though you can always count on its sympathy.

SCOPE FOR MORE TAXES

Your requests for a subvention from the Government have been carefully considered in the past. I note that in May, 1948, the Government indicated the ways in which municipalities could increase their revenues, for example, by improved methods of evaluation and assessment of properties, by the levy of a consolidated tax on buildings and lands, and so on, provided the total incidence of taxation is not less than 20 per cent of the annual letting value, or 1.5 per cent of the capital value. I am somewhat disappointed that the level of taxation in Ahmedabad City is less than 20 per cent of the rental values of properties and that hitherto no steps have been taken to increase it.

In spite of certain objections inherent in octroi, I hope that you will seriously consider its substitution for the present terminal tax. It will certainly provide additional revenue. The taxable capacity of your rate-payers ought to be considered and if you increase your own efforts, as I am sure you will, you will be able to satisfy the Government that you have exhausted all possibilities of self-help before you invoke its assistance.

PART OF GANGES AS NATIONAL RIVER OF PAKISTAN

Counsel's Claim Before Tribunal

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8 (UPI).

At the resumed sitting of the Indo-Pakistan Boundary-Disputes Arbitration Tribunal this morning at the West Bengal Assembly House, Mr. W. W. Page, counsel for Pakistan, put forward the claim that the river Ganges beginning from Murshidabad upto its meeting point with the Bay of Bengal should be considered as the national river of Pakistan in the same way as it was being considered a national river of India from Murshidabad and upwards.

Mr. Page claimed that if they read the award of Sir Cyril Raocliffe with reference to his intention not to disturb the river and the railway system of the communication, then it would be clear that he (Sir Cyril) never intended to draw a permanent line in the river Ganges, but all that he had done was to lay down a flexible line so that Pakistan might aptly describe that portion of the Ganges in its territory as its national river.

Mr. Page here indicated that he was eagerly awaiting the written opinion of the other four Judges of the Radcliffe Commission (who sat with Sir Cyril Radcliffe for partition of Bengal), the opinion which had so long been regarded as a top secret.

OTHER POINTS

Mr. Page continuing said that it was clear from Sir Cyril's report that he had had no aversion to constituting a river as a boundary, however erratic its course (adds the P.T.I.) While in some part of his award, Sir Cyril had specifically mentioned rivers as boundaries, he had also in some cases, where rivers were involved, referred to district boundaries and not rivers by name. To ascertain the meaning of the award, the Tribunal should look into the award as a whole and not in part. There was nothing contradictory in his award, Mr. Page submitted.

Earlier, Sir S. M. Bose, counsel for India, said that the dispute arose out of the question of ownership of certain char lands in between the districts of Murshidabad and Rajshahi which were being claimed by both Dominions.

The Tribunal will meet again tomorrow

SOLVING KASHMIR DISPUTE

U. N. Ruling Before December 31

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 8 (PTI):—Preparations in the Secretariat of Security Council affairs for the disposal of the United Nations Kashmir Commissions report seem to point to a desire to have the matter finished before December 31, when the life of the present Council expires and three new members come in, cables D. P. Wagle, PTI Special correspondent.

It was understood here that the Kashmir Commission's report was signed in Geneva yesterday. It is learnt that the report will be sent by air to Lake Success and that it will reach the Secretariat by December 9. In order to save time in getting instructions, etc., copies of the report will be sent to India and Pakistan at the same time as they are sent to the Secretariat.

As soon as the report has been mimeographed, it will be circulated to the delegations concerned. This will leave them about a week for preliminary studies and discussions. The Security Council will meet on December 17 when they will first hear from the Kashmir Commission details of their work. After nearing the Commission, the Security Council will probably adjourn and take up the report itself on the 19th when India and Pakistan, as the countries primarily concerned, will be asked to be present.

Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary-General of the Government of India's External Services Department, is coming to Lake Success, probably by the end of this week, to be present here during the discussion of the Kashmir report.

The Kashmir Commission, according to indications here, will report the deadlock they had reached in their work of mediation and make certain recommendations. What those recommendations are is not known here but speculation most commonly heard is that they will suggest a single mediator to continue the task entrusted to the Commission.

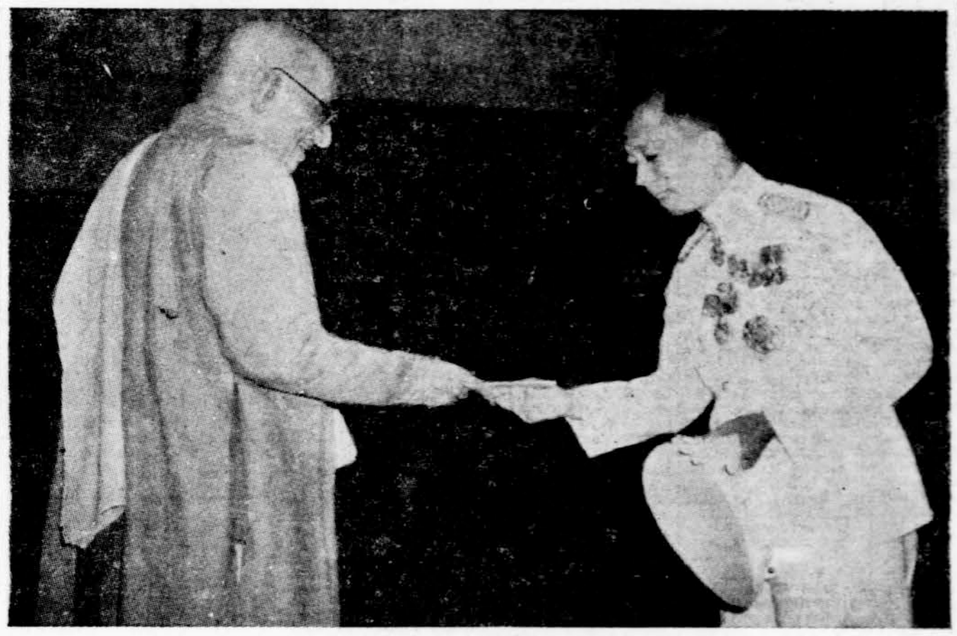
India has already made it clear that she is unable to agree to arbitration on an issue which involves a matter of principle already decided.

If the Security Council's discussions are prolonged, they will be continued after the Christmas holidays. It is the intention to complete them by the end of the year.

The reason for a quick disposal of the Commission's report would appear to be that on January 1, the Security Council will have three new members, Yugoslavia, Equador and India.

Two of these, Yugoslavia and Equador, being new to the subject of Kashmir, may ask for a reopening of the discussion that had already taken place before December 31 and cause further delay.

It appears, therefore, that a ruling on Kashmir will be forthcoming from the Security Council before the end of the year.



Luang Phinit Akson, presents his credentials to Shri C. Rajagopalachari, Governor-General, as the Minister of Thailand to India, at a brief ceremony held at Government House on December 6.—PIB.

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

THE Municipal Standing Committee's decision not to donate Rs. 100,000 to the Mahatma Gandhi Fund is based on the curious reason that a "suitable memorial" costing several lakhs is to be raised in a recreation centre at Shivaji Park. I do not see the connection between the two and certainly none between Gandhiji and recreation. But that is beside the point.

Last week, I had a visitor who was boasting that she had the courage of her convictions, and when I heard her I certainly felt that she had. She was approached by the local committee for a donation to the fund. She was willing to put herself down for Rs. 60 if the money could be spent in knitting pull-overs for the ball-boys at the tennis courts. The committee was aghast but as she stood firm, they had to lump it. "And what is more," she said, "Father did the same thing too."

As one who has paid several times over, I was struck with envy. But the Bombay Municipality has definitely gone several better. It has also its own way of honouring the Mahatma's memory, and why not? As it has been well said, "In my Father's house are many mansions." It might be an end to all collections but this country would be a happier place to live in.

The other day I was glancing at the accounts of one of our larger national funds. It may not surprise you but it certainly shook me to read that a fifth of the expenditure was on keeping the institution going. And no one knows exactly how much of what remains is really controlled spending. It was a wise rule of our elders not to give money unless they could assure themselves of the way it would be laid out. I remember in my almost pre-school days, Sir Narayan Chandavarkar used to be seen often walking down the Lonavla-Khandala Road. One evening, a little boy kept on saluting him and Sir Narayan who was preoccupied with his thoughts, replied mechanically. Suddenly he realised that this was plain begging. He rebuked the urchin for saluting just to get a few annas and, hearing a long tale of woe, insisted on accompanying the lad, seeing things for himself and doing what was most necessary to meet the needs. Sir Narayan's personal interest was at times probably embarrassing but it was flattering too. No one who sought his help and got it, need have feared that it was just a way of getting rid of the importunate.

Today, I know, things have become much more institutionalised but it is still possible for us all to be more interested in what we help. I feel it would be wise if we all decided not to donate to any institution whose work is beyond a five mile radius of our place. And the work should also be looked into, since that is the purpose of insisting on accessibility.

INDIA CHEATED OF 7,000 SQUARE MILES

Anomalies Of Radcliffe Award

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8. (PTI).

MR. SARAT CHANDRA DAS, a member of the Khulna, District Congress Boundary Committee has appealed on behalf of the Committee to the Governments of India and Pakistan to place the Radcliffe Award in respect of Bengal before the "Bagge Commission", now sitting in Calcutta, for reconsideration.

Mr. Das, in a statement, said that the Radcliffe Award for Bengal was "inconclusive and a violation of the terms of reference of the Boundary Commission."

He added: "Sir Cyril Radcliffe has dealt a severe blow to West Bengal by excluding from it the Khulna District, Hindu majority area of 4,805 square miles with a population of 19,43,218 and other adpacent Hindu majority areas of about 2,500 square miles."

"Bengal", Mr. Das said, "before partition had an area of 77,442 square miles with a poulation of 603 lakhs, 273 lakhs of them being non-Muslims. "West Bengal therefore, should have been awarded an area of 35,000 square miles instead of 28,000 square miles with only 212 lakh population, thus depriving it of 7,000 square miles of land and 61,00,000 population."

GROSS INJUSTICE

"This mistake and gross injustice", Mr. Das said, "can only be rectified by the inclusion in West Bengal of the contiguous non-Muslim majority areas including the Khulna District and Gopalgunj Sub-Division."

Mr. Das urged the Governments of India and Pakistan to being the Radcliffe Award as far as it related to Bengal before Lord Justice Algot Bagge so that "boundaries can be re-adjusted on fair and equitable basis for the safety and security of the two neighbouring states."

Prof. V. K. N. Menon, Professor of Politics in the Patna University, has been appointed Vice-Chancellor of the University of Travancore and Cochin.

STATE TRADING COMMITTEE

Meetings In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (PTI): The State Trading Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh, member of the Indian Parliament, resumed its meetings in Delhi on Tuesday after its session in Calcutta.

The Committee is to advise Government on the desirability on State trading in any sectors of the country's trade.

The present series of meetings in Delhi are expected to continue till December 23 after which the Committee will proceed to Bombay to meet there from December 27 to 29. It will then hold a session in Madras from January 3 to 6.

Members of the Indian Parliament, representatives of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry and prominent industrialists including Mr. G. D. Birla and Sir Shri Ram will give evidence before the Commission during its session in Delhi.

Prof. K. T. Shah, Bombay economist and member of the Indian Parliament, gave evidence before the Commission on Tuesday.

Other members of Parliament who are expected to testify before the Committee include Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar, Mr. B. Das, Prof. N. G. Ranga, Mr. L. K. Maitra, Mr. Ramlingham Chettiar, Mr. Shibanlal Saksena, and Mr. Kandubhai Desai.

BAJPAI LEAVES FOR LAKE SUCCESS

NEW DELLHI, Dec. 8, (PTI): Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of India, accompanied by Mr. D. P. Dhar, Deputy Home Minister, Kashmir State, left New Delhi for Lake Success today to participate in Kashmir debate at the U. N. Security Council.

Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah, Kashmir Premier who was earlier scheduled to leave today has deferred his departure to be present here to deal with urgent State matters.

Twenty-nine-year old Dhar, one of Sheikh Abdullah's righthand men in the administration and a staunch supporter of his political programme told P.T.I. on the eve of his departure that he would demand of the Security Council to administer immediate justice to the aggrieved people of Kashmir.

BOMBAY: Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai and Mr. Dhar arrived in Bombay on Thursday evening. They will fly tomorrow to London and thence to Lake Success.

WORKERS' HEALTH SURVEY

Indian Government To Spend Rs. 1,30,000

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Dec.

It is reliably understood that the Government of ndia have decided to survey the health of the 1,30,000 mill workers of Ahmedabad. It is learnt that the Government will spend Rs. 1,30,000 on this survey. The Ahmedabad Medical Society has been entrusted with this task. The Society's doctors will survey the workers' health every week.

MAURITIUS SOCIAL WORKER FOR INDIA

Devout Follower Of Mahatma

MARIUTIUS, Dec. 8.—Pandit Sahadeo, a well-known social worker of Mauritius who has devoted himself to the cause of Indian community in general and of the labouring classes in particular left Mauritius on November 25 for India. Pandit Sahadeo is a devout follower of Mahatma Gandhi and has done much to propagate his teachings among the people. He is one of the founders of labour movement in the island.

Celebrate Malviya's Birthday

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (PTI): Goswami Ganesh Dutt, General Secretary, all India Sanatan Dharma Babha, today appealed to the people to celebrate the birthday of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya on December 13 in a befitting manner.

In a statement Goswami Ganesh Dutt said: "According to the Hindu calendar the birthday of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya falls on December 13. I request all people to pay their homage to the great leader in a befitting manner throughout India, schools and colleges will do a great service if they can inspire our youth on that day about the ideals for which Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya lived and died."

To pay homage to Malaviya, a public meeting will be held in the Municipal Town Hall, on that day under the presidentship of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

INCREASE AGRICULTURL PRODUCTION RAPIDLY

ILO's Solution For Improving Asian Cultivator's Earnings

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (UPI)

IF farm wages and cultivator's earnings are to be improved in Asia, a rise in the level of agricultural productivity is a "fundamental necessity the International Labour Office said in its report.

The report deals mainly with the problem of raising the level of farm wages and the earnings of primary producers.

In this connection it said that efforts to increase productivity would have to come "through a general readjustment in the use of the factors of production—by changes in methods of production an increase in capital equipment, and re-allocation of resources."

To achieve better utilisation of the available land area and thus attain higher levels of production, employment and remuneration programmes for the reorganisation of farming should be examined."

This examination, the report urges should take special account of "the possibilities of co-operative and collective methods of production and the consolidation and amalgamation of holdings into more economic units"

The report is one of six which have been prepared to serve as a basis for the discussions of the International Labour Organisation's Asian Regional Conference to be held at Nuwara Eliya Ceylon on January 16 to 28.

In a foreword it is explanied hat the reports purpose is t oreview the points to be considered in a survey of agricultural wages and incomes of primary producers, with a view to wage regulation and introduction of measures to increase these incomes."

The report points out that in Asia the agricultural labour supply greatly exceeds demand. A considerable part of the labour force, it says, is unemployed or at least under employed, "while the growth of the rural population has exceeded the expansion of the cultivated area, with the result that there is a constant tendency towards a decrease of regular employment opportunities and a decline in earnings per individual of farm worker."

REAL PROBLEM

The real problem of the landless labour at the moment, it says "is perhaps not so much what he is to earn but rather whether he is to earn at all."

An increased demand for labour at the present technical level, the survey suggests, could be encouraged by increasing the share of income of certain categories of agriculturists, especially tenants and share croppers, in order to enable them to hire labour at a reasonable wage or to acquire some land.

In view of the special conditions prevailing in Asia, the report concludes, "some kind of State intervention is desirable" to achieve wage regulation in agriculture.

This view is advanced, it says "because high rural birth rates and lack of opportunities for alternative employment, in rural areas, tend to create a buyer's market in respect of labour, so that agricultural wage rates compare unfavourably with those in other occupations.

The report argues that the raising of wages through regulation may compel management to relinquish inefficient and wasteful methods of production.

TRAINING WOMEN IN COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

Central Institute Soon In Delhi

BOMBAY, Thursday

Accepting the recommendations of the All India Cottage Industries Board, the Ministry of Industry and Supply have decided to establish in New Delhi from January 1950 a women's wing of the Central Institute of Cottage Industries for the training of women instructors and high class artisans in cottage industries.

A total of 200 candidates will be admitted to the Institute in the first year. In addition to nominees of the Central, Provincial and State Governments etc., about 50 students will be admitted direct. No fees will be charged. A certain number of stipends of Rs. 50 p.m. will be awarded to deserving trainees admitted direct. Hostels accommodation will also be provided for students.

For the present, training will be given in eight handicrafts.

A painting of the Madonna which is said to have saved Rome twice from the plague was carried in solemn procession through the streets of Rome on Thursday, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Gandhiji's Will Handed Over To Trust

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8.

According to the wishes of Mahatma Gandhi, his will regarding his writings has been finally handed over to the Navajivan Trust by Mr. Narhari Parikh, Gandhiji's heir so far as his writings are concerned. Sardar Patel, Mr. Morarji Desai, Mr. Jiwanji Desai and Mr. Maganbhai Desai are trustees of the Navajivan Trust.

Fate Of Ganesh Oil Mill

KARACHI, Dec. 8. (UPI): A decision regarding the fate of the Ganesh Khopra Mills—the biggest oil mills in West Pakistan—is likely to be taken by the Custodian of Evacuee Property within the next few days.

All its four Hindu directors are alleged to have migrated to India and only its accountant is in Karachi. The mill has been closed for some time now owing to labour trouble, it is learnt.

BIBINAGAR DACOITY CASE

Jurisdiction Of Tribunal Questioned

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 8. (UPI): The Special Tribunal trying Kasim Razvi and five others in the Bibinagar Dacoity Case today heard arguments on two law points raised by the defence, one questioning the jurisdiction of the court and the other its right to try the Razakar chief along with other accused in the case.

Mr. Mustafa Hasan, junior counsel to Razvi contended that H. E. H. the Nizam was the only competent sovereign authority above the legislature to make rules and regulations, having lasting effect. The rules and regulations framed by any other person with the assent of the Nizam were operative for six months or at the most twelve months. The Special Tribunal Regulation and the Validating of Proceedings Regulation were framed by the Military Governor and issued with the assent of the Nizam, and as such could not be operative for all times.

THE COURT: But H. E. H. the Nizam delegated all his powers to the Military Governor which fact was announced in a Jarida (Hyderabad Government Gazette.)

Arguing the other point, Mr. Mustafa stated that under Section 240 of the Hyderabad Criminal Procedure Code "it is a rule that more than one accused cannot be tried in one trial for different offences. His client has been charged with four offences of the Hyderabad Penal Code along with five other accused. There are, however, four exceptions to this rule, but this case does not fall under any exception because, firstly, the time the place and the personnel in each transaction of the incident is separate and secondly, one accused of one transaction is not said to be in other transactions. Section 240 is intended for the convenience of the accused and where it is doubtful to fix up whether an incident comes in one transaction or separate transactions, it is illegal to try them jointly."

THE COURT: There cannot be an offence of rioting or dacoity unless there are more than five persons.

The arguments had not concluded when the court rose until Saturday next.

MUTT AND JEFF—One Way To Do Away With Ushers

By BUD FISHER

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